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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Science vs Myth

POOR old Kipling. His "Just So" stories which have been a children's classic for years are now thought to be potentially damaging to a child's outlook. And in an age where science and scientific achievements have acquired an unprecedented ascendancy in the minds of men—and alas, children too—there is no place for myths, charming and delightful as they are.

The world knows, of course, of the dangers of myths. The last war grew out of one—Hitler's mistaken concept of the Aryan master race. The myth of the Old Testament led divines up to two centuries ago to accept the date of the Creation as 9 a.m. on October 23, 4004 B.C. And the difficulty of reconciling the Genesis story of the creation with the theories of Darwin and others has troubled Christians right up to the present day. Yet now science tells us that man's ancestry can be traced back to fish.

Supernatural

IT was a myth that fettered Europe of the Middle Ages to a belief that to sail over the horizon was to plunge to doom over a waterfall. And primitive people today explain power harnessed by man in terms of the supernatural. Never was there a greater need to demystify the world. And for the protagonists of this idea the pendulum is clearly swinging in their favour. Yet there are dangers too in treating children like adults, which is implied by those like the critic of Rudyard Kipling's "Just So" stories who seeks to revolutionise the "national" pattern of education. One of the joys of a child's life is the world of make-believe. When the mind is not capable of understanding facts, imagination bridges the gap between curiosity and satisfaction. To tell a child that a giraffe's long neck is due to an inexplicable mutation (which in turn necessitates explaining the difference between genes and chromosomes) is hardly whetting his appetite to probe deeper into the wonders of the world.

Childish Things

ST Paul wrote: When I was a child I spoke, understood and thought as a child, but when I became a man I put away childish things. Is not this the enduring answer to a problem that is essentially as old as the world itself? For though there is a lot to be said for satisfying childish inquiries with as many facts as they are capable of understanding, this emphasis can be carried too far. It is bad enough having to tolerate precocious, priggish and bumptious children talking parrot fashion like a school text book, but when this leads to an appeal to overthrow Kipling because of his "gooseberry bush approach" to science, does not then Alice stand in danger of a similar fate because of her unsentimental Wonderland and Peter Pan, because children cannot really fly, and Christopher Robin... for... whoever heard of a talking Pooh Bear?

ANTI-NOISE CAMPAIGN BOGGED DOWN BY

Snoring!

London, Aug. 31. London's Paddington Hospital reported today that the anti-noise campaign has been bogged down by the snoring of patients.

It pointed out that snoring is a serious problem in hospital wards. It prevents sleep of patients whose recovery may depend on proper rest, and it causes irritation and nervousness among patients.

The article deplored the fact that the medical profession has tended to look upon snoring as more of a medical joke than a problem for serious investigation. It is therefore suggested that the medical profession should know that the King's Fund (for hospitals) is conducting an experimental investigation of the subject.—U.P.I.

★ Elderly Woman Knocked Down ★ Boy Coshed In Mouth With Bottle RACE RIOTS AGAIN IN LONDON

Hospital & Surgeries Work Overtime As Families Leave Homes

London, Aug. 31.

Gangs of white and coloured youths armed with sticks, cudgels, iron bars and knives fought out a pitched battle in West London's Notting Hill district tonight. Squads of extra police raced into the area as bitter inter-racial riots broke out for the second night running. On Saturday police broke up a series of brawls.

UK NUCLEAR POWER PLANT FOR ITALY

Geneva, Aug. 31. The British nuclear power plant company tonight signed a £10 million contract to supply a nuclear power station to Italy.

The contract, for a 200 megawatt reactor, was signed tonight in a Lausanne hotel by Signor G. Martinoli, President of the Italian Societa Italiana Meridionale Energia Atomica (SIMEA) and Mr. A. M. J. Sayers, Director and General Manager of the nuclear power plant company.

The power station is to be built at Rome, about 40 miles south of Rome. It will supply sufficient light and heat for 100,000 people.—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

AMERICAN WARNING

Taipei, Sept. 1. The U.S. Army Secretary, Wilbur Brucker, warned today that it would "ill-become" the Chinese to underestimate the statements made by President Eisenhower and the Secretary of State Mr. John Foster Dulles, last week warning against operations on the offshore islands.

"It would ill-become anyone, particularly the Communists, to underestimate the force of their expressions and to toy with what they said."

Mr. Brucker told a news conference in the Ministry of Defence building here: "In my opinion, if the Communists should see fit to spurn the very fair warning of the President and the Secretary of State they could expect that the warning not being heeded would be considered by my Government and people as flying in the face of their warning."

Mr. Brucker declared that the Communists must not upset the peace of this area, for if they do they will be underestimating the word and expression of the Government of the United States.—U.P.I.

Broken bottles and half-bricks were thrown at police cars and vans as the officers moved into the centre of the trouble area.

At first a fight developed between 10 coloured people and seven whites. Then it spread, until more than 400 people were involved. An elderly woman was knocked down by the mob and a boy of 10 was coshed in the mouth with a broken bottle.

Bars & Knives

A gang of about 100 youths armed with sticks, iron bars and knives assembled under the dark railway arches by Latimer Road tube station. At the height of the trouble one man was stabbed in the shoulder and another was slashed across the neck. Ambulances ferried the injured to hospital. Later police arrested 18 persons—four of them coloured.

They were taken to Notting Hill Gate police station and charged with offences ranging from causing grievous bodily harm to obstructing the police. Hospitals and doctors' surgeries in the area were working overtime. Clengmen of all denominations danced and sang and spread through the district pleading for an end to hostilities and urging everybody to go.

Very Ugly

A police officer said: "I've never known such a charged atmosphere. The scenes here tonight have been very ugly." Several white families evacuated their homes, leaving coloured tenants in a state of virtual siege. Pat Findlay, his wife Nora and three children left their Lancaster Road home at the first sign of trouble. They were still wandering the streets at midnight, too scared to return home.

"My money's at home," Findlay said. "But so are some coloureds and I dare not go back." Tonight, police officers prepared to patrol every street in the Notting Hill Gate area with squad cars until morning.

Residents lined the roads as policemen walked in file down the streets, breaking up the crowds. A temporary police headquarters was set up in a police car in Bramley Road, where the trouble began.

Shout Threats

Hundreds of youths roamed the streets in Teddy-boy outfits. They jeered and shouted threats whenever they saw a coloured person.

Others, in bands of 50, waited sullenly outside houses in which negroes are known to live.

The streets swarmed with police officers as hundreds of residents watched from their windows. Tonight's disturbances followed an uneasy week of tension between sections of white and coloured folk in several British cities, erupting in brawls and street fights in Nottingham and London.

In Nottingham today, police brought charges against 24 people after a night brawl in the district where white and coloured people clashed last weekend.

Hundreds of people milled through the streets there last night throwing firecrackers and flares. Angry groups turned from words to blows as police moved in to make a string of arrests.

Behaviour

But Nottingham's Police Chief, Captain A. Popkess, declared that the city's coloured folk had behaved in an exemplary way, keeping clear of the trouble area. In Nottingham last night, police broke up a series of brawls which broke out between an angry crowd of 200 white and coloured people. They made four arrests.

On Saturday London magistrates sent nine white youths for trial charged with wounding and assaulting coloured people on an alleged "beating up" raid through West London last weekend.—Reuter & U.P.I.

SORAYA IN



CAR CRASH

Baden-Baden, Aug. 31. Princess Soraya, former Queen of Iran, escaped unhurt in a minor auto accident near this resort city today. The former Queen of Iran was out for a car ride to Deidesheim in the wine-growing province of Rhineland-Palatinate. On the way back to Baden-Baden, Soraya's car hit another automobile. No persons were hurt and only minor damage was reported. She was involved in a similar minor accident near Cologne last June, but was also unhurt then.—U.P.I.

May Close School

Little Rock, Aug. 31. Gov. Orval E. Faubus said today he "probably" will close Central High School if it is integrated and he holds close to his position. He said he would not "be forced" to "integrate" the school and would "preserve" the peace and order of the community.—U.P.I.

TERRORISTS STRIKE IN FRANCE



FIVE petrol tanks of the Maureplane depot near Marseilles were set on fire after a terrific explosion had shaken the entire section Arab terrorists who had committed a series of outrages throughout France recently are believed to have been responsible for the outrage. Photo shows five appliances alongside the blazing petrol storage tanks in Marseilles.—Keystone Photo.

Foot To Fly To London This Weekend

UK'S CYPRUS PLAN TO BE IMPLEMENTED WITHOUT GREEKS?

London, Aug. 31.

Sir Hugh Foot, Governor of Cyprus, is to come to London at the end of this week, it was stated here today.

During his visit, he will continue discussions on the political future of the island begun during the recent visit to Nicolas of British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan.

A Nicosia report stated the discussions are expected to concentrate on the possibility of implementing the new British plan for Cyprus in face of its rejection by Greece.

United Nations

Political quarters in Nicosia believe that the talks will deal with the problems raised by the Greek rejection and the Turkish acceptance of the plan and by the question of the island's future at the United Nations.

By the time Sir Hugh begins his talks in London, the EOKA force will have lasted just over a month.

Political quarters in Nicosia think it will be one of the Government's immediate tasks to decide whether the period of peace can be considered promising enough for them to allow Archbishop Makarios to return to Cyprus.

Another decision which has to be faced is whether the British plan should be implemented as promised in Mr. Macmillan's announcement earlier this month—as from the beginning of October. Archbishop Makarios, in Athens and EOKA in Cyprus have both stated that the implementation plan will be opposed by Cypriots by every means.

Conjectures that the Greek Cypriot left wing might participate in the elections under the new plan have been affected by public announcements that the plan is unacceptable to them.—France-Press and Reuter.

QUEMOY GROUP POUNDED AGAIN

Taipei, Sept. 1.

Communist batteries in the Amoy area fired a total of 145 rounds from midnight to 5.40 a.m. today.

Taiwan and Lihyu (Little Quemoy) were the targets of 105 rounds in the first session ending at 5.24 a.m.

The question of United States logistic support for Chinese Nationalist garrisons on the offshore islands is at the centre of the talks which have been held between top US and Chinese military authorities, informed sources said today.

Importance

Pointing out the importance of this subject, the sources said that if the US decides not to intervene in the event of a Communist attack against the islands, the extent of Nationalist resistance to Communist forces will depend on the material aid given by the US besides ensuring a regular flow of supplies, the US would also have to provide modern equipment.

U.K. Accepts U.S. Proposal On Iceland Dispute

London, Aug. 31.

Shortly before a hour of an armed conflict between Britain and Iceland over fishing rights in Icelandic waters, it was revealed officially today that the British Government had accepted an American proposal aimed at avoiding any incidents between ships of the two countries.

The exact terms of this "line of action" strongly recommended by the United States, were not revealed, but official British sources said that the commanders of the Royal Navy escort vessels had been ordered to avoid any action which might be interpreted by the Icelanders as provocation.

The British Government, these sources added, accepted this suggestion on condition, the Icelanders did the same.

Danish Plan

Other sources here said today that the British Government was ready to accept the Danish plan to continue immediately the negotiations begun and broken off within the framework of NATO, at the level of ministers, (but not foreign ministers), or of experts.

In the meantime, Britain was seeking a modus vivendi, or "temporary solution" aimed at stabilising the situation.

The Government, however, announced today that "in default of an agreement or modus vivendi, they must preserve the rights of British fishing vessels on the high seas."—France-Press.

Icelandic Gunboats Sail With UK Fleet

Aboard British Fishing Fleet off Iceland, Sept. 1. As Iceland's ban on fishing within 12 miles of her coast came into force today, Reuter correspondents with this fleet reported that all trawlers and their warship guards were on the alert for Icelandic gunboats, and maintaining close touch.

George Bishop, Reuter's special correspondent aboard the Coventry City, radioed: "We are cruising under a nearby full moon about nine miles from the shore of Iceland."

"The frigate Russell is close to us, and we can see five other British trawlers nearby. Also near us is the Icelandic patrol vessel Agdr. She has been here since she cleared us at seven p.m."

Will Resist

"If men from Agdr attempt to board us, or other trawlers, the British crews will resist—but they have been told not to use firearms or undue violence, we shall call for help to the Russell."

From the frigate Eastbourne, Reuter's special correspondent John Chadwick reported that two British trawlers had sighted Icelandic gunboats, while other ships reported low flying aircraft.

Earlier, the Royal Navy had flashed the zero hour message to the defiant trawlers within the 12-mile belt: "Watch for darkness ships or boats approaching you, and tell us immediately."

The message was sent from the 1,400-ton Russell, one of four British fishery protection vessels guarding about 100 British trawlers in the area.—Reuter.

When It Comes To Atoms For Peace

BRITAIN LEADS THE RACE

The Duty And Difficulty Of Not Quarrelling

London, Aug. 31. The Lambeth Conference report "will have done its work well if it makes everybody, Christians and non-Christians alike, think again about the duty and difficulty of being peace-makers," the Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr. Geoffrey Fisher, said tonight.

Dr. Fisher was speaking on "Lambeth in retrospect" on the BBC Home Service.

"The key word of the conference was reconciliation—reconciling quarrelling churches, quarrelling breeds or races, quarrelling classes, and quarrelling husbands, wives and children," he said.

"In the report we offer to a world which has badly lost its way a clear line of advance, hard as all good things are, but marked out by the word and the wisdom of God."—Reuter.

US AND USSR VOW TO CATCH UP IN THE END

Genova, Aug. 31. Great Britain took the spotlight at history's greatest atomic exhibition today by demonstrating that the U.K. is far ahead in large-scale construction of nuclear power plants.

American and Russian experts claimed that the British lead was due to economic need. The U.S. and U.S.S.R. experts, in agreement on policy, said they expect to win in the end the race to produce cheap electricity from the atom.

Atomic power exhibits for government and private builders, are being held in connection with the 68-nation International Atoms-for-Peace conference opening in Genova tomorrow.

A British expert, told of the U.S. and U.S.S.R. comments, said "It's true that they may win in the end, but it may take 20 years."

"Any country that wants to buy a nuclear power station now will want it in a hurry," he said. "For this reason the British approach, which has already been proved in practice, is very attractive, even though some of the American reactor designs may turn out better in the more distant future."

He said that Britain's plant studies have been made because of partial depletion of coal reserves and an urgent need for power. He added U.K. reactors are "all more sophisticated and all likely in the long run to make cheaper power."—U.P.I.

The British station is scheduled to produce power at just under a halfpenny per kilowatt-hour, far less than the world average, whereas power from the big consolidated Edison Plant in Connecticut will cost nearly a penny.

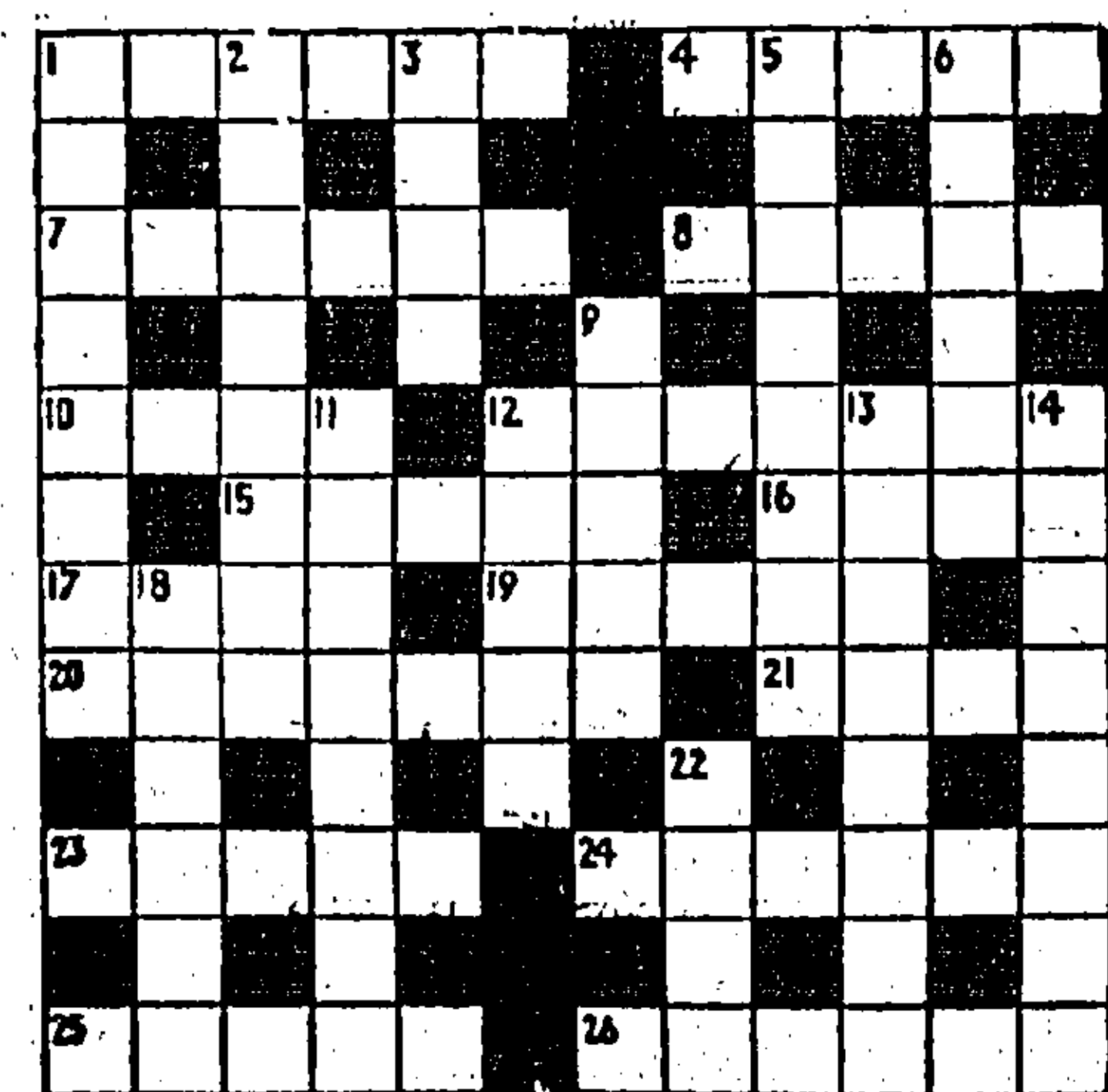
But Robert Pahler of the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission, in charge of the American Reactor display at the "Government exhibit" across town from the commercial show, said "we expect to beat the British cost in the end." Pahler said the American building programme is more "broadly based."

USSR Follows USA

Valerio Kallin, in charge of the Russian government exhibit, said the Soviet Union's position is similar to that of the U.S. "We are investigating many types of reactors to see which will produce the cheapest power. We have energy, and can afford to wait," Kallin said.

Asked if he thought this approach would eventually produce the cheaper power and the greatest benefit to man, Kallin said "Yes, of course." Kallin refused to say which is the largest power plant the Soviets are building, but said that that would be revealed later in the conference.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS
1. Makes more serious (6).
 2. Pig food (6).
 3. Tooth covering (6).
 4. Rolls or heels over (6).
 5. Sudden attack (4).
 6. Forecast the wine is finished? (7).
 7. Approaches (5).
 8. Guitar-like instrument (4).
 9. Stopper for comedians (4).
 10. Mum's lost her head, to someone else (5).
 11. Flags (7).
 12. Disorderly old party (4).
 13. Country that can crack? (5).
 14. Vacation for Mifs (6).
 15. Do business (5).
 16. A fellow in surprisingly handsome (6).
- DOWN
1. Catlike accommodation? (6).
 2. Both engineers and navigators fix them (6).
 3. Famous driver (4).
 4. The painter who pursued his lips? (6).
 5. Talent may be this, and often is (6).
 6. Vast crowds giving parties (6).
 7. A symbol indeed is carefully planned (6).
 8. Liable to be lying (5).
 9. Continental (6).
 10. They often look down in the mouth (6).
 11. May be weighed at sea (6).
 12. Inclined (4).

SATURDAY'S SOLUTION: Across: 3 Spotted, 8 Serial, 9 Dog-watch, 11 Unblinded, 12 Peer, 13 Tepid, 18 Rodco, 19 Rock, 22. Schering, 23. Breathe, 24. Aftain, 25. steamers. Down: 1. Issue, 2. Crabs, 3. Saddle, 4. Ploed, 5. Towns, 6. Bitten, 7. Sphere, 10. Gield, 14. Pouch, 15. Dower, 16. Arab, 17. Cuckoo, 20. D. IV-on, 21. A-gon, 22. Slam, 23. Hear (-hear).

Tory Boss Sets Off For Canada



Pictured at Euston Station, London, last week is Lord Hailsham, chairman of the British Conservative Party, who was on the way to Canada where he was to be the guest of the Canadian Bar Association.—Central Press Photo.

Communist Party Clamp Down On The Red Army

London, Aug. 30. Russia has sharply increased its campaign to subject the Red Army to tighter party supervision, Moscow reports revealed today.

The Soviet authorities have issued new orders for tighter discipline through more effective party indoctrination. The orders followed recent moves to bring the officers corps of the Red Army down from its hitherto privileged position.

The campaign, which began cautiously after the ouster of Marshal Georgi Zhukov, has been steadily built up in recent months and reached a new pitch recently.

Latest developments were spotlighted by criticism from Col. Gen. A. Golikov, head of the political administration of the Soviet armed forces, of "serious shortcomings" in the indoctrination work within the Red Army.

The Red Army has been under fire for its alleged lax discipline since Marshal Zhukov was removed for opposing the Communist party's decision to revive political controls over

the armed forces and the Stalin-type institution of political commissars.

Golikov was appointed shortly after Zhukov's downfall specifically to foster party indoctrination in the armed forces with the aim to subject the Red Army to complete and undisputed party control.

The Red Army under Zhukov had been gaining steadily in power and was becoming too strong and independent a force for party boss Nikita Khrushchev.

Golikov has now accused senior officers of recent criticism "from below." The Red Army, he warned in Pravda, could not tolerate lack of discipline.

Red Star, the army organ revealed earlier this month that high-ranking officers of the Moscow military district had been reprimanded for allowing serious shortcomings in political work in the forces which had led to "broganism, absenteeism and loose living among troops."

A project is under consideration presently to replace the courts of honour for officers offences with ordinary military courts without regard to rank.

Officers have been opposing this move which would, in effect, restore the Stalin-type "comradely courts" that were done away with at the outbreak

of World War II to boost officers morale.

Russia's Supreme Court in turn has called for a tightening of the judicial system for the armed forces after criticising existing shortcomings in the army.

Golikov significantly attended the crucial meeting of the Supreme Court.

Special courses have since been introduced to push ahead with party indoctrination in the armed forces countrywide.

Soviet experts concluded from these developments that the party is out to streamline the armed forces politically to remove any political threat from the Red Army.—U.P.I.

Murderers Of The Old

Hankook, Aug. 31.

That police have uncovered an alleged plot to kill old people by poisoning and collect their pension insurance money.

Police sources said their discovery followed the death by poisoning of a 70-year-old man in Kan-buri, western Thailand.

They said two men had brought cakes to the old man on the day of his death. The cake had been eaten by the old man and his dog and both had died.

Police enquiries had uncovered the fact that a man was leaving the pension asking old people without relatives to join cremation societies to pay their funeral expenses.

Police alleged that this man was paying the societies a fee of 1,000 baht (about £15).

Often one old person was insured for as much as 3,000 baht, Police alleged. They alleged that one man had already collected on five or six deaths. Police were now looking for him.—China Mail Special.

PARTITION FOR AFRICAN TERRITORY URGED BY UN

United Nations, New York, Sept. 1. A three-man United Nations "good offices" committee said here tonight it believed a form of partition in South West Africa might provide a basis for agreement between the world organisation and the South African government.

It said that, under such an agreement, the Southern part of the territory would be annexed to the Union and the Northern part, containing the great majority of the African population, would be administered by the Union Government under a trusteeship agreement with the United Nations.

In a 22-page report which the Assembly is due to consider during its session opening later this month, the committee said it hoped the Assembly would encourage the Union Government to investigate the possibility of partition.

It stressed that this should be done on the understanding that if the investigation proved the idea was practicable, the Union Government should draw up precise proposals for submission to the U.N. If not, the Union should inform the U.N. and the matter would lapse.

South West Africa was formerly a German colony but South African Forces occupied it in World War I. At the end of the war the allied and associated powers authorised the Union Government to administer the territory, under a League of Nations mandate, as an integral part of her territory.

Incorporation

Certain safeguards, designed to protect the African population, were specified. At the San Francisco Conference in 1945, which led to the establishment of the United Nations, South Africa indicated that she did not intend to transfer the territory to U.N. trusteeship but hoped instead to incorporate it in the Union.

In 1947 the South African Government decided that, instead of incorporation, South West Africa would have representation in the Union Parliament "as an integral portion of that body."

Since then the U.N. has sought repeatedly to bring the territory under its trusteeship and the Union Government has persistently refused.

A Way Out

It was to seek a way out of this deadlock that the "good offices" committee, under the chairmanship of Sir Charles Noble Arden Clark of Britain, held talks in Pretoria from June 13 to June 22.

Among the people with whom it discussed the matter were Mr. Eric Louw, South African Minister of External Affairs, Mr. G. P. Joubert, Secretary for External Affairs, and Mr. B. G. Fourie, Assistant

The Little War Of American Children Against The Rest

Rome, Aug. 31.

A "cowboys and Indians" war between American and Italian children has ended with a truce and disarming of the "knife-carrying" Yanks, it was reported today.

The newspaper Il Tempo said that the truce was arranged at the advice of police who suggested that parents of the children in the Vigna Clara district "disarm" their children.

Vigna Clara is a new luxury apartment area in the Northern suburbs of Rome.

Il Tempo said that parents of Italian, Swedish, French and other children in the area were alarmed at the antics of American tots who carried "real knives" for their war games.

Moreover, the American children always insisted on playing the parts of the "good" cowboys while the Italians and other foreigners had to play the constantly losing Indians.

The Indians were always "massacred."

Several days ago, Il Tempo said the "Indians" of all nationalities met and decided on a "showdown" with the Americans.

"Fortunately a mother heard of the plot and told the head porter to inform all the American mothers to disarm their children," Il Tempo said.

A little later, the police also made the same invitation, and so the war ended.—U.P.I.

Algerian Underground Statement On Attacks In France

Cairo, Aug. 31.

The Algerian underground organisation FLN said today that last week's attacks on petrol dumps in France were only a "first offensive" in its plan to carry to French soil the war for the liberation of Algeria.

The statement gave no indication of the targets of further "offensives."

Issued by the "committee of co-ordination and execution" of FLN, it said the committee had ordered the Algerian "commandos" attacks in France on August 24 and 25.

The aim of the attacks, it added, was to "hit petrol dumps used by the enemy air force" and to extend to France itself the war "methodically conducted by gallant FLN fighters" in Algeria.

Sahara Oil

The statement said the FLN had promised to destroy Sahara oil in France as it wished to render useless all investments aiming to exploit Algeria's wealth without the consent of "independent Algeria."

The offensive, it said, also demonstrated the falsity of French allegations that the war was at its close and was aimed at rousing the French people from their apathy concerning Algeria.

This apathy, the statement said, left "an open field for ultra-colonialists."

Murder Inquiries Shift To France

Denham, Aug. 31.

Police inquiries into the murder of 31-year-old Mth Joyce Green switched today to France.

Scotland Yard asked Interpol, the international police organisation, to trace two French known to have been camping near this picturesque village 20 miles northwest of London when Mrs. Green was murdered last Monday.

LOOKING FOR

They will be asked if they saw a man with a blue or black velvet jacket or blazer with a green badge on his pocket, whom police believe can give them vital information.

And Mr. Joseph Green, 35-year-old husband of the murdered woman, today reconstructed the crime at the house where Mrs. Green was found dead in her bed after a room-to-room battle with an intruder.—Reuter.

M. Pineau Fears The Temptation Of Dictatorial Power In France

Le Mans, France, Aug. 31.

M. Christian Pineau, former French Socialist Foreign Minister, said here today he would vote against General de Gaulle's constitution when it is submitted to a national referendum on September 28.

Speaking at a reception he said: "I do not pretend that the 1946 constitution was good, but that of 1958 is more difficult because it creates a conflict between the Executive Power and the Legislative Power. To those who say if General de Gaulle becomes President of the Republic, he will not abuse his powers, I reply that a constitution is likely to last longer than a man and that the successors may have the temptation of personal power."

M. Pineau added: "It is not an absurd assumption to imagine for the Presidency of the Republic Thorez (Communist leader) against Matus (General Jacques Matus, leader of the May 13 Algerian takeover, and chairman of the committee of public safety for Algeria)."

"For my part, I am determined to vote 'No' at the referendum. I leave it to the electors to choose according to their conscience."—Reuter.

Candidate Dies

Concord, Aug. 31.

Mr. George Fingold, the State Attorney-General, and Republican candidate for Massachusetts Governorship, in November suddenly collapsed and died at his home here today. He was 40.

The State Republican Party will now have to hold an emergency session to choose a new candidate.—Reuter.

"If You Want To Die... You Have Only To Ask" Said The Boy Friend

Birmingham, Aug. 31.

An 18-year-old girl still wished to marry her 16-year-old boy friend though he had stabbed her 21 times, the Birmingham Juvenile Court was told.

She maintained that she asked the youth to kill her as she wished to die when her mother refused consent to their marriage, it was alleged.

The couple ran away to Gretna Green, Scotland, where marriages are permitted at the age of 16, but were brought back. Then when the mother said they would be "separated forever"

and the girl said she felt like killing herself the boy was alleged in a statement to have told her: "You have only got to ask me."

"I tried to kill her and I thought I had," the statement added.

He stabbed her with a table knife which he had. Then he followed her upstairs stabbing her with a pair of scissors.

The boy—names are not given in juvenile courts—admitted maliciously wounding the girl and was remanded in custody for three weeks for reports.—China Mail Special.

ROUND-UP

"COUGH-BOX" ALIAS "SIN-BIN" AT NEW CITY TEMPLE

THE new City Temple in Holborn Viaduct, London, "Cathedral" of the Free Churches, which last opened for services for the first time since it was bombed in 1941, is equipped with a "cough box." An ante-room has been provided at the back of the building for members of the congregation suffering from coughs or accompanied by children who chatter during services. Other names for the "cough box" include "cry box," the "chatter box," and "sin-bin." "We think it an excellent idea," Miss Alice M. Head, Hon. Secretary of the Redbuilding Committee says. "People who have troublesome coughs anxious not to disturb others can retire to this little ante-room and see and hear everything that goes on in the church through a wide window and a system of loud speakers."

AIR PROBLEMS

SENIOR R.A.F. and American Air Force officers are to meet later this year at the R.A.F. Staff College, Bracknell, to iron out technical problems which affect both air forces. The Americans will send 20 field officers to the liaison week which starts on October 5. Some will give lectures to R.A.F. officers. Later in the year a group of R.A.F. officers will lecture at the U.S.A.F. Air University at Maxwell, Alabama.

ROCKET CHIEF

BECAUSE, when in France, he noticed French people were correcting his grammar, Dr. William Hilton, one of Britain's leading rocket scientists, who holds every science degree bestowed by the University of London, has been attending evening classes at Coventry to brush up his French. Now he has been notified that he has passed the General Certificate of Education examination in the language. His marks were... 10 for oral French and 80 per cent for his French written paper. Dr. Hilton is chief aerodynamicist at the Coventry factory of Armstrong Whitworth Aircraft Ltd.

"I'M SORRY"

DON'T say "I'm sorry" to a policeman motorists are being advised by the Automobile Association on being stopped for an alleged minor traffic offence. The Association has carried out an analysis of hundreds of cases handled by their solicitors since the introduction of the Magistrates' Courts Act nearly a year ago, and although it is estimated that one driver in every six says "I'm sorry" when stopped by a policeman he usually gets a summons. More important is the fact that policeman quotes "I'm sorry" in his statement of facts it may sound to the magistrates that the words imply an admission of guilt.

TRIUMPHS

TEN years' old "Golden Boy" who pulls a milkcart most of his life in the New Town of Hatfield, Herts is going to an Aldershot jumping show at the end of this month. There is little doubt he will then gain his 100th award. In 99 appearances in the show ring he has only twice failed to finish in the first three. On past occasions he was fourth. He has won 59 first prizes and been placed second 33 times in light trade turnouts. Windsor, Richmond and the White City are just a few of the places at which he has triumphed. His quest for honours has in four years taken him nearly 10,000 miles.

"ONE-MAN" ANTI-TANK MISSILE

A PORTABLE guided weapon with which one soldier, it is claimed, could cripple a tank, has been developed for the first time by a private company after two-and-a-half years of pioneering work. Flying tests have shown that the problem of how to steer the missile in mid-air has been solved. "It is much the same in size as a 17-pounder, the difference being that it can be steered all the way to the target," said Mr. J. W. Dalgleish, an executive director of Pye Ltd., the Cambridge radio and radar makers which planned and built the missile. The missile is five feet long, has a span of two feet. The launching and control equipment is equally light and compact.

WIRRAL-SALERNO BOTTLE LINK

HOBBY of Mr. Albert Hagen, of Thornton Hough, Wirral, Cheshire is throwing bottles containing messages into the Mersey estuary. He has just had his most spectacular success to date—a letter from an Italian woman who got the message from his bottle after it was picked up in the sea off Salerno, Italy. He threw the bottle into the Mersey in February. It was found by a couple who were fishing off Salerno.

NEW DRESS FASHIONS FOR POLICEMEN

NEW dress fashions for British policemen which have been approved by the Home Secretary, Mr. R. A. Butler, include short-sleeved order in hot weather, open-neck jackets, shirts with pockets, lightweight trousers of the self-supporting type for summertime wear. Other recommendations the Home Secretary has accepted include a crash helmet goggles, leather gloves, knee-length boots or leggings and a waterproof suit for men on motorcycling duties.

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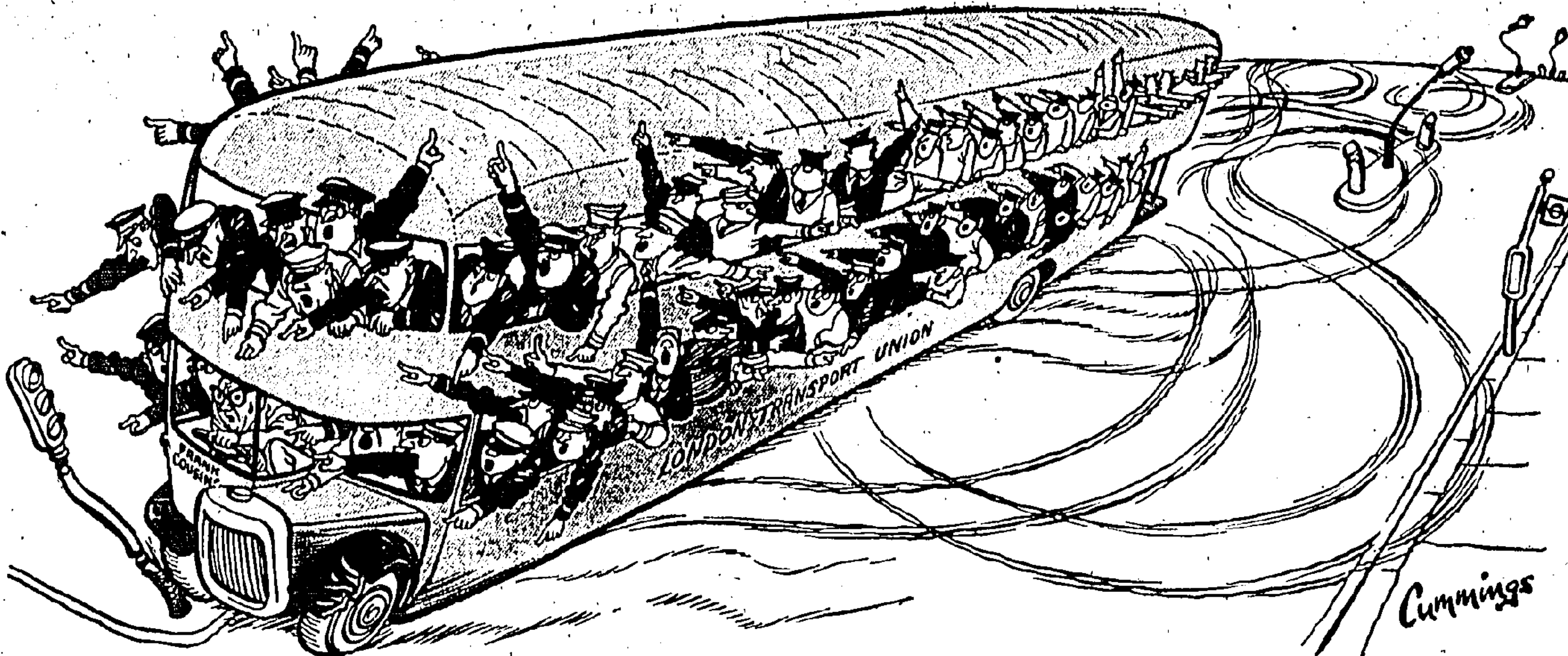
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NO, FRANK COUSINS IS NO LEARNER! IT'S JUST THAT HE'S GOT A BACK-SEAT DRIVER OR TWO!

The Richest Man In The World

SHEIKH Sir Abdullah Al-Salim Al Subah, ruler of Kuwait, is the richest man in the world.

Every year, the oil beneath his tiny kingdom earns him more than £100 million. That works out at nearly £300,000 a day.

His potential wealth in untapped oil is reckoned to be about £8,500 million.

But Sheikh Al Subah is anything but carefree.

Much of his staggering wealth could disappear any day into the coffers of Nasser's rapidly-expanding United Arab Republic.

Kuwait, 6,000 square miles of sand on the Persian Gulf, teeters on the brink of a nationalist volcano. Next door in Iraq, rebels have seized control.

In Kuwait itself, Sheikh Al Subah's 1,000-strong army (supplemented by a para-military police force of 1,500) keeps one watchful eye on the Iraqi frontier, the other on 200,000 restless Kuwaitis.

No other Middle East potentate comes nearer than Sheikh Al Subah to the Westerner's romantic idea of what an Arab ruler should be.

He is tall, powerfully built, with stern features. He has a

grey, close-clipped beard. He has the far-away gaze of a desert rider, and the sun-etched crow's feet round the black depths of his eyes.

He owns a £1,500,000 palace. And he has four wives.

But the romantic Westerner would be disappointed with the other side of this Arabian Nights figure.

For 63-year-old Sheikh Al Subah suffers from gout. Sometimes the pain drives him into fits of temper; but mostly he is withdrawn, even shy—especially with foreigners.

Unlike other Arab rulers, he spurns flash American cars, has discarded a custom-built Rolls-Royce given to him by the Kuwait Oil Company, and lives in the modest style of a man who earns £1,000 a year.

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The rest of his vast income goes to Kuwait's treasury. It has been said that he spends no more than £10 a week on personal comforts.

In fact, the Sheikh is essentially a Moslem, devout, with simple tastes and a preference for quiet living.

While the richer of his courtiers hook their way round Al Kuwait in big American cars, Al Subah quietly confers with his advisers in his palace or at a lonely, island retreat near his home.

He smokes fifty American cigarettes in a week—the time it takes £2,000,000 to flow into Kuwait's reserves.

Quiet, impassive Al Subah brings the same frugality to his official life, too. Again, unlike other Arab rulers, his palace is unpretentious. True, he employs a bodyguard, but it is little more than a token display.

He invariably travels incognito, shuns the limelight, and never talks about oil or money. Once he snuffed at a reporter: "Why should newspapers inquire how I spend my money? I have too great a sense of delicacy to ask how newspaper owners spend theirs."

Contrary to gossip, Al Subah is a careful, almost penny-pinching spender abroad. One day in a Paris shop he admired an expensive cigar box, told the expectant salesman he would "think about it," and left.

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It was on that same visit to Paris that French officials tried hard to manoeuvre him into oil negotiations. It was the wrong time. His gout was troubling him. Angrily, he refused to negotiate, pointing out that it was "strictly an unofficial visit," that his only language was his native Arabic, and that he was suffering terribly from his amputation.

Al Subah dresses simply. Sometimes he wears a black, camel-hair turban and a brown cloak over his white robes; other times, a plain white cotton head-dress.

The only evidence of wealth on his person is a glittering diamond ring on his left hand. Kuwait has no absolute rule of succession. When the ruler dies, the new one is chosen from among his relatives.

That is why, when Salim al Mubarak Al Subah, ruler of Kuwait, died after the First World War, his eldest son, Abdullah did not immediately succeed to the throne, but gave way to his cousin, Sir Ahmed al Jabir Al Subah.



SHEIKH SIR ABDULLAH

Ahmed ruled until 1950—and in the style to which his late uncle had been accustomed. Rough medieval justice prevailed. Robbers had their hands amputated; murder with robbery meant the loss first of the culprit's hands, then his life.

Until 1946, Kuwait was poorer than a church mouse. Its only income was from dates and pearls. Then oil was discovered

and large-scale production began, with Britain's Anglo-Iranian Oil Company operating jointly with America's Gulf Oil in the venture.

Sheikh Al Subah succeeded to the throne in 1950. The next year, he signed a 50-50 agreement with the Kuwait Oil Company. In 1952, under this agreement, he received £22 million. In 1953, it was £50 million. In 1956 his share was £75 million. Last year, it was over £100 million. And production is increasing all the time.

Al Subah's skill as an administrator and negotiator is entirely self-taught. He was educated in Kuwait, a country which had no schools until 1936.

This has probably influenced his method of rule, and helps to explain his subjects' regard for him. For Al Subah is first and foremost a Kuwaiti.

His sense of brotherhood with his people is stronger than protocol. Once, while Al Subah was opening a new refinery, a cripple emerged from the throng of spectators and began to hobble towards the Sheikh.

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Al Subah's bodyguard met him half-way. The cripple gave them a paper. It was a petition. Then the cripple returned to his place in the crowd and the bodyguard retired behind the dais.

The Sheikh never paused in his speech. Al Subah is given all the credit for Kuwait's large-scale development programme.

It is his avowed intention to make Al Kuwait the "best and happiest" town in the Middle East, to provide every Kuwaiti with free, up-to-date education and medical services, as well as full employment with high salaries.

He has given his kingdom 36 state schools, three state hospitals, numerous clinics, a massive sea-water distillation plant

(for fresh water supply and hydro-electricity), and recreation grounds.

But, despite all this, he has shown no sign of moving towards Western political ideas, in his frequent daily meetings with his Ministers and subjects, he keeps abreast of Kuwaiti affairs. But all decisions are his to make, and they are law.

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Helping him run oil-rich Kuwait are Al Subah's numerous relations. To them are entrusted the twenty or so government departments. Before he succeeded to the throne, Al Subah himself was head of the Financial, Food and Health departments.

These days, no one helps Al Subah more than his uncle (though he is younger than Al Subah), Sheikh Abdullah al Mubarak, head of Public Security.

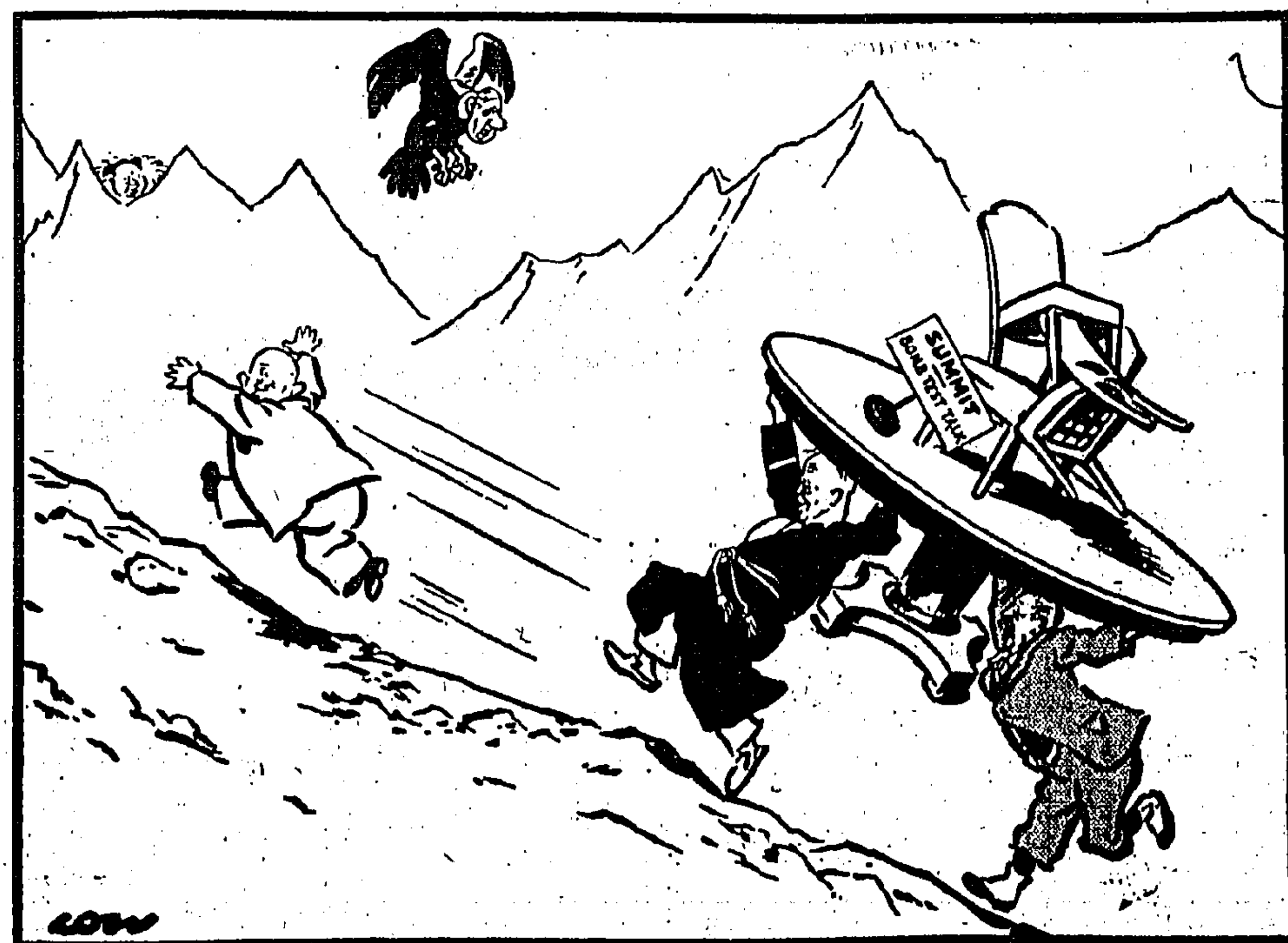
Mubarak has equipped his security force with armoured cars, 25-pounder guns and mortars. These were the arms that quelled disturbances at the time of the Suez crisis.

Curiously, although Al Subah is aware of the dangers of spreading nationalism, he apparently does nothing about it. To further his education policy, he had to turn to the only source of Arab teachers—Egypt. He must know these Egyptians are openly teaching the doctrines of Gamal Abdul Nasser.

He must know, too, that there is always a possibility of Iraqi aggression, for Iraq has long laid claim to Kuwait.

Backed by an unbending feudal system Al Subah perhaps thinks his powers are unchallengeable. In any other period of history, he would have been right.

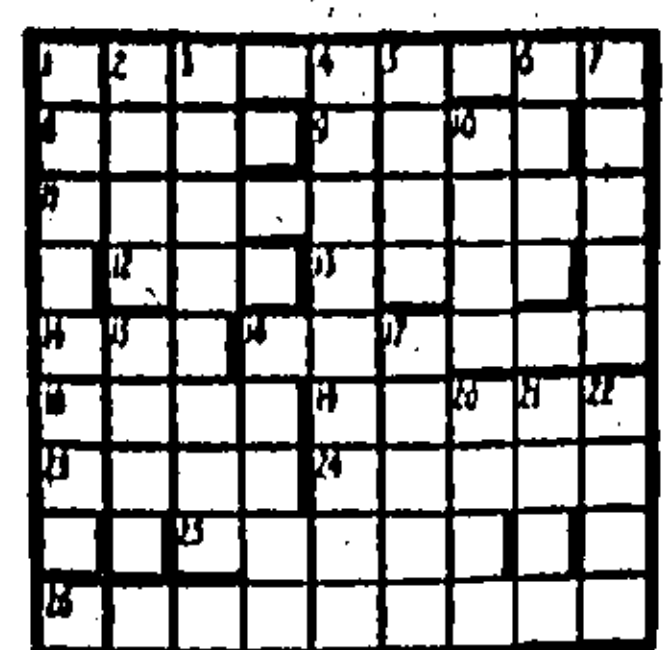
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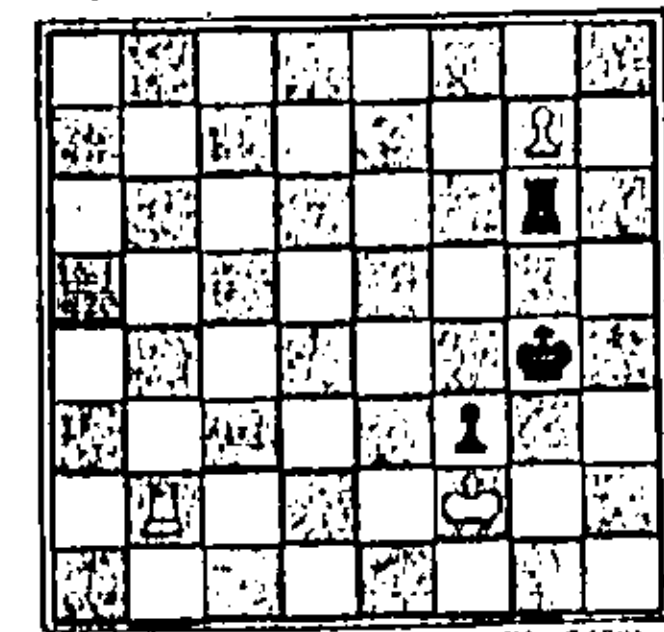
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CHESS

By LEONARD BARDEN



Here is an ending from actual play. White to move and win.
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YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

BORN today, you have a vigorous personality with energy to burn. You must have something constructive going on all the time if you are to keep out of mischief. You have an active mind, and as you grow older, you want to discover the "why" of things for yourself. Once your mind is made up to something, nothing will stop you from it until you have achieved your objective. You are sometimes criticised for this "self-centred" point of view, but it is something inherent in your nature.

You are an original thinker and dislike doing things according to conventional patterns. You do have executive ability, and will use it for large projects, but there are always things you want to do yourself just to make sure they are done exactly as you want.

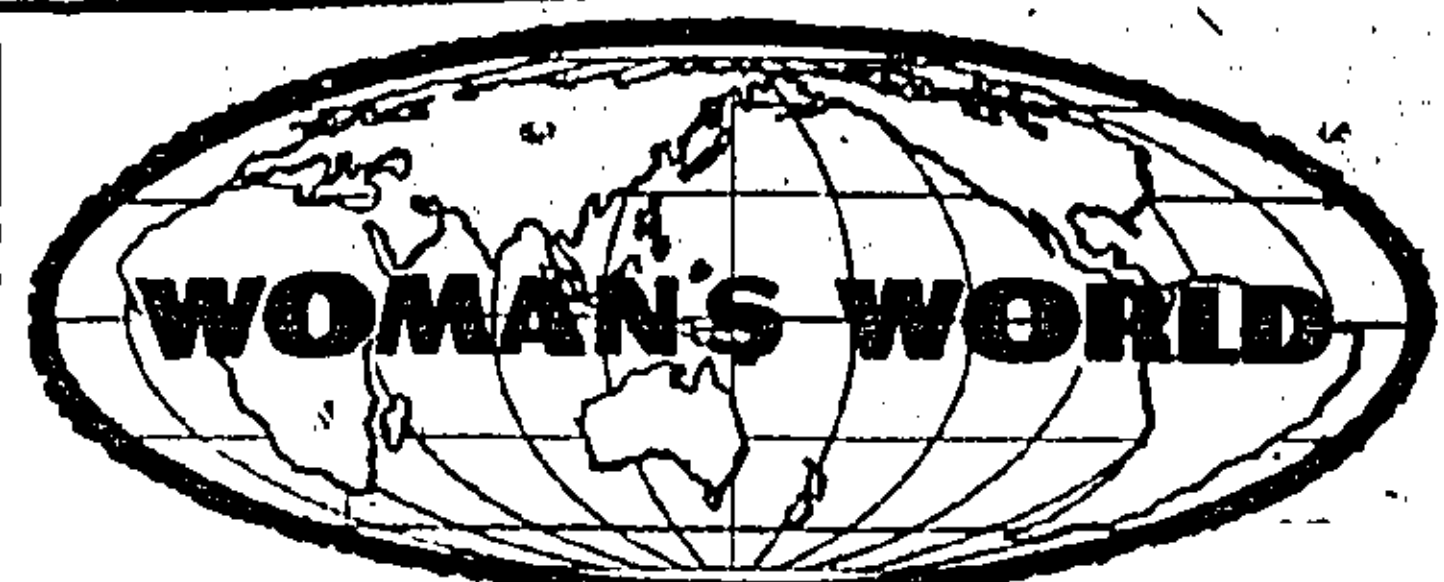
You have mastered this technique of being popular in mixed company. Your humble sincerity and honesty of character make you one to be respected wherever you are. You are a splendid friend, but could be a little harsh if you feel you have been wronged.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"What style do you suggest for my husband? He says he positively won't wear shorts!"



THE land of "Call Me Madam" is no comic opera state, as Ferle Mesta discovered to her surprise. It is a proud and serious nation with the world's senior reigning monarch.

Grand Duchess Charlotte, 61, ruler of Luxembourg for nearly 30 years, became the oldest living monarch when King Haakon of Norway died.

The country has about as large a population as Little Rock, Ark., or 112,000 persons. Rhode Island has 10 times the area of Luxembourg. Mrs. Mesta, the first U.S. ambassador to Luxembourg, expected to find a comic opera state, she said.

Instead, she left expressing admiration for the efficient steel mills, productive vineyards, the industrious people and their dignified monarch.

Grand Duchess Charlotte has two sons, four daughters and a dozen grandchildren. Her husband is Prince Felix of Austria.

Her powers as a limited monarch roughly paralleled those of Queen Elizabeth. She can veto acts of Parliament by refusing to sign them, but never has. She is a busy figurehead, she said.

Daily she receives ambassadors, signs decrees and confers with her members of Parliament.

She also manages to do some gardening at her country residence, Berg Castle, and tends the rose garden herself. Grand Duchess Charlotte made Berg Castle her official residence soon after she ascended the throne in 1919. She did not like the tiny city palace, flanked by cafes and houses, so used it for official receptions only.

Like most European monarchs of an earlier era, the Grand Duchess was tutored behind palace walls by French and German professors.

She was not born to reign. Her elder sister, Marie-Adelinde, ascended the throne when their father, Grand Duke Guillaume died in 1914. Marie-Adelinde, a Roman Catholic dedicated to enter a convent.

OCCUPIED BY GERMANS It fell to Charlotte to lead her nation out of the German occupation of World War I and guide it from the chaos of the war to a model state with one of Europe's highest living standards.

The country's tranquility was shattered in May 1940, when Hitler's troops rumbled through the grand duchy. The royal family escaped over the border to France, helped by a gallant stand of a few guardsmen in front of the palace.—U.P.I.

PHILADELPHIA. A unique "showdown" in a Philadelphia hotel lobby recently and wound up in a draw. It was nothing like you see on TV. Not a shot was fired because the girls packed charm instead of 45's. Their draw was in the almost identical tales they told about running their own ranches.

The one big difference: one is a Texas ranch, the other is in Florida. The ranchers were brought together during the convention of the Pilot International, a women's service organization, counterpart to the men's Rotary and Kiwanis.—U. P. I.

JACOBY ON BRIDGE

It's A Matter Of Mathematics

By OSWALD JACOBY

ANY time a slam depends on a simple finesse it is a reasonable bid from the standpoint of mathematics. You have a 50-50 chance to make it and are risking just as much as you stand to gain.

A conservative pair might well have stopped at game with today's hand, but Vanderbilt winners Sam Fry and Lenny Harman are not noted for conservatism.

Leo opened the three of spades and Sam, who was South, went into a long huddle. He has

NORTH			
♠ A 4 2			
♥ Q 3			
♦ A 10 7 6 4			
♣ 7 3			
♠ 10 8 7 6			
♥ 8 7 6 5			
♦ 8 3			
EAST			
♠ K			
♥ J 9 5 3			
♦ A 10 4 2			
♣ K Q 9 2			
SOUTH (D)			
♠ Q J 10 9 8 6 5			
♥ A 2			
♦ K J			
♣ 5			
No one vulnerable			
South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	2 ♠	Pass
2 ♠	Pass	3 ♠	Pass
3 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead—♠ 3			

been huddling for years, but unlike many player's huddles it seems that Sam's usually produces good results.

As a matter of strict mathematics when your side holds 10 trumps a finesse for the king will win half the time; the alternate drop play picks up the king only 26 per cent of the time.

When Sam came out of his huddle he decided to abandon mathematics and play dummy's ace. West could not expect that North would show up with the trump ace. He might have led from three to the king, but Sam knew that a doubleton lead was more likely. He played dummy's ace and dropped East's king to make his contract.

Q—The bidding has been: North East South West
1 ♠ Pass 1 ♠ Pass
2 ♠ Pass 3 ♠ Pass
4 ♠ Pass ?
You South hold:
♠ A 3 2 ♠ K 8 6 5 ♠ K 4 3
What do you do?
A—Bid four hearts. Your partner has shown a reliable club suit and a grand slam is not impossible.

TODAY'S QUESTION
Your partner continues with a bid of four spades. What do you do now?
Answer Tomorrow

WOMANSENSE

Stock Your Medicine Chest With These Essentials

By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN, M.D.

A WELL-EQUIPPED medicine cabinet and first-aid kit is a "must" for every home. In addition to having essential equipment at hand for emergencies, you'll find frequent use for much of it for everyday occurrences.

KEEP THESE ON HAND

So I suggest that you keep the following available for quick use in a safe place in your home:

Aromatic Spirits of Ammonia (2 ounces): For fainting, heat

exhaustion, shock and nausea. Use for inhalation purposes only in fainting or shock.

Ionic Acid Solution (2 ounces): As an eyewash. You can use it for washing foreign bodies from the eyes, for "sore eyes," and for occasional use.

Mercurchrome (2 per cent): Water solution (2 ounces). For

cuts, abrasions, slivers and the like.

USES FOR IODINE

Iodine Solution (one-half strength): For minor cuts, scrapes and bruises where the skin is broken. Remember that you must always remove the iodine with alcohol before covering the wound with a dressing.

Bicarbonate of Soda (4 ounces): For upset stomach, gas and to wash any poisons from the stomach in an emergency.

Epsom Salts (4 ounces): For occasional use as a laxative, af-

ter vomiting in poisoning; for hives and for hot compresses to combat infection.

Liquid Petroleum or Mineral Oil: For use in eyes and in sunburn cases.

SUN AND OTHER BURNS

Hot water bag and syringe: For use on fainting, shock, earache, toothache, headache, menstrual cramps and for eczema. In addition, there are other items you should have within ready reach but out of reach of children.

These include:

A clinical thermometer, an ice bag, a small roll of adhesive

plaster or tape, a small roll of absorbent cotton, at least six sterile gauze bandages of various widths, half a dozen small adhesive bandages for small cuts, half a dozen sterile gauze squares, a pair of tweezers and a flashlight.

Elegant Ensemble



By VERA WINSTON

THE dress with its own jacket makes an important town costume. This elegant, yet practical, ensemble is of Italian silk in a heavy weave. The straight frock is not quite chemise, but has slight shaping to the torso easily. The coat has a self cord belt that slips through brass eye-lets to lie in front. It can be pulled snug or left in a relaxed, line. Costume in deep green, the jacket lined in printed silk.

The New Mixes

EACH week new and often interesting and delicious foods arrive at the fast-food kitchen, and our taste-testing panel goes into action. The panel includes our Chef, myself, our assistant, our secretary and one or two outsiders who may be classified as "consumers."

The foods are prepared according to package directions. Then, each member of the panel is given an evaluation form to fill in and a generous sample of the food to be taste-tested.

THREE NEW FOODS

Three foods that received an enthusiastic reception this week were two new and exceptionally good cake mixes—a lemon and a chocolate pudding cake—and an unusual, nippy basic Italian style mix for a salad dressing.

TOMORROW'S DINNER

Hot Cream of Mushroom Soup
Sliced Cold Veal Loaf
Macaroni-Green Bean Salad
with
Sliced Tomato and Onion Rings
Hot Lemon or
Chocolate Pudding Cake
Hot or Iced Coffee or Tea

All measurements are level, recipes proportioned to serve 4 to 6

Sliced Cold Veal Loaf: Put 2 lbs. ground raw veal through the food chopper twice, with half a medium-sized core of apple, 1 peeled small onion, 1/3 c. dry bread crumbs and 2 slices bacon.

Mix in 1/4 c. milk, 1 egg, 1 tsp. salt, 1/2 tsp. monosodium glutamate, 1/2 tsp. pepper and 1/2 tsp. powdered ginger. Pack into an oiled 9 1/2 x 5 1/2 in. loaf pan. Cover.

Bake about 45 min. in a moderate oven, 375°F., or until beginning to brown. Uncover to finish browning.

Cool and slice.

Macaroni Salads: These salads should always be based on plain-cooked, high-protein elbow macaroni. The dressing should be highly seasoned, because the taste of macaroni itself is bland.

Macaroni is often combined with the vegetable for the meal as follows:

Macaroni Green Bean or Green Pea Salad: Combine 3 c. cooked short-cut, high-protein macaroni with half a grated small onion and 1 1/2 c. well-drained, cooked, shredded green beans, cut in 1/2 in. lengths (or use drained canned or cooked green peas). Toss in 1/3 c. Italian-style dressing.

Then blend in 1/2 c. mayonnaise. Chill 30 min.

Garnish with minced parsley. Serve on lettuce or chicory.

Italian-Style Dressing: Empty 1 pkg. Italian salad dressing mix into a pt. jar. Stir in 2 tbsp. water. Add 1/4 c. cider vinegar or wine vinegar, and 2/3 c. salad or olive oil. Fit top on jar. Shake vigorously about 1/2 min.

This dressing is refreshingly delightful and different, not only with macaroni salads but also with hot or cold potato salads and tossed green salads. Serves 8.

TRICK OF THE CHEF

For richer flavour, add 1/2 can beef broth to reconstituted condensed mushroom soup when heating.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

To remove grease spots from tablecloths, dust a little talcum powder on the stain. Let it set for an hour, then dust off. The powder will absorb the grease.

Cooked shrimp added to cream of potato soup makes a filling one-dish meal.

Store potatoes where it is cool (40-50 degrees) and dark and cover with cloth or paper. Light causes green spots.

When travelling, wrap powder, perfume and medicine in aluminum foil to protect clothing. Also use foil to keep sand or dust out of a camera.

Add 2 teaspoons of chili powder, salt and pepper to a pound of ground meat for hamburgers with a western flavour.

Always use cold water to make meat soups. Keep the kettle covered.

Instead of rolling cookies, drop the dough from a spoon on to a cookie sheet. Then stamp each one with a damp cloth stretched tightly over the flat bottom of a cup or glass.

During apple season, cut wedges of tart apples and sandwich a bit of cheese or peanut butter between them.

The Cleanliness Bureau says orlon sweaters need no more attention than simple sudsing. Do not block.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

The Owl Reads A Letter

—He Didn't Want To Disappoint His Friends—

By MAX TRELL

KNARE and Hand, the Shadows with the Turned-About Names, Todd, the Stuffed Bear, and Hlawatha, the Small-Sized Wooden Indian, all crowded around Mr Punch and begged him to tell them a story.

"Well," said Mr Punch, pretending to frown but really enjoying the crowd of faces around him, "It's much too late to tell a story, and I have a lot of letters to write and—hmm, that makes me think of some thing."

Hand asked: "What does it make you think of?"

About A Letter

"Of a story about a letter," Mr Punch replied. "Did I ever tell you about it? Well, the Letter No One Could Read."

Everyone in the room said they would like nothing better than to hear the story. So Mr Punch smiled and began:

"It's fallen under the raspberry bush where I always stand to sing songs."

They All Saw It

"Cricket hopped across to the raspberry bush as fast as he could. By this time, the Robin, the Thrush, the Sparrow, the Butterfly, the Snail, the Beetle, the Bee, the Field Mouse and the Toad had also spied the letter.

"They all dropped their work, which meant they stopped look-

ing for food, which was the main part of their work, and went rushing for the spot where the letter lay.

"Then these birds and insects stood around looking at the fallen letter and wishing they could read it.

"None of them had ever received a letter. None of them had ever learned to read. None of them could write. But they all wished for a letter, and there it was lying at their feet!

"What could be worse than to get a letter and not be able to read it?

"I'll go fetch the Owl," the Toad said finally.

"What makes you think he can read this letter?" asked the Beetle.

Ho Wears Spectacles

"He wears spectacles," replied the Butterfly. "With spectacles he can read this letter as easily as we can see it."

"With that the Toad hopped off and brought back the Owl. "Owl glanced at the letter.

"Now, to tell the truth, Owl couldn't read it any more than the others could. He wanted to tell them that he couldn't read, but he saw how anxious they all were to know what was written in it and how disappointed they all would be if he told them that he had never learned how to read.

"Just put your spectacles on," Snail said. "Then you won't have a bit of trouble."

"So Owl took out his spectacles, polished the glasses and put them on his beak.

"It won't be a bit of trouble at all," he said. "I'll be able to read this letter as easily as all of you can see it."

"Then he said: 'Ah—it's quite plain!'"

"Whose letter is it?" they all asked. "Tell us which one of us it is for?"

From The Neighbours

"Why—hmm—it's for all of you," Owl said quickly. "It's from the people who live in the neighbourhood. And this is happy to get such a lovely letter."



Owl glanced at the letter and said he could read it easily.

"They say you bring them good cheer—the Sparrow with his chirping, the Robin with his singing, the Toad with his warbling, the Snail with his chattering, humming, the Butterfly with his fluttering and the Toad with his quick tricks."

"They ask you all to keep living here—spring and autumn, summer and winter—and if you go away for a little, such as Robin, flying south in the winter, to be sure to come back. They give all of you their love."

"That's what this letter says," replied Owl.

"And he took off his spectacles and flew back to finish his sleep. And the others went off, too, feeling quite proud and happy to get such a lovely letter."

Rupert and Floppy—38



Before going home the gentleman listens to Rupert's account of all the people the wonderful dog has been trailing. "I'm glad to know that he is so keen on his job," he smiles. "Now I must finish his training and see that he doesn't run away again. Mean-



while I owe your friend Rusty something for finding him. Tell him to come and see me. He shall have a reward and he shall have his collar and lead back. Here's my address on this card." He states homewards and Rupert scampers back towards Nutwood.

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AMENDED LAWS TO BRING MORE ACTION AND INTEREST IN COMING RUGGER SEASON

By "PAK LO"

The start of the rugby season now approaches, and already most of the participants are training strenuously for the coming battles, with much puffing and panting and cursing of the carefree beer-swilling days of summer. This season also brings a new crop of amended Laws of the game, which, when they have been understood by the players and referees will greatly speed up the action, and increase the spectator interest.

To help players comprehend the latest changes in the Laws, it was hoped that that infamous player, Joe Bloggs would be appearing again in this column, tripping over Laws, referees and players alike in his usually unsuccessful attempt to follow the latest efforts of the Rugby Union.

However, Joe has decided that he now knows it all, and has become a referee, and so instead we shall have to rely on his cousin Joe Soap, to take his place as a player.

Lectures

The Referees Society will again be giving lectures on the "ins" and "outs" of the various new Laws before the season starts. The new amendments generally give more power to the referees, (that goes, come, of course, from Joe Soap) who this season are in short supply in the Colony.

At the beginning of last season referees were appointed to games in rotation with the object of giving all the referees the same number of games. After a short period, and a few howls from various clubs, the system was changed and only the most experienced referees were put in charge of the Pentagonal games. Unluckily this meant that the five senior referees took charge of 26 games between them, while the other eleven referees shared only 14 games between them.

As the five senior referees will have left the Colony before the beginning of the season the brunt of refereeing will fall on those who were last season classed as less experienced referees.

Judging from the unkind comments passed last year, most players are, as usual, certain in their own minds that they know more of the Laws than the average or any referee. Since some of the greatest promoters have now "hung up their boots," I feel that they should be willing to step into the breach, and offer their services as referees.

Only Too Pleased

The Referees Society, who are a forgiving bunch, will be only too pleased to see such ex-players, and will be only too glad to let the tyro show his ability. Those who feel that a stern blast on the whistle is just in their line should contact W. C. Richardson, Esq. c/o H.K. & Shanghai Bank (Tel. 30221).

The Tournament this season will be held between the months of December and February inclusive, as it has been found that in previous years other commitments in April invariably meant postponement of the closing games of the Tournament.

This year the Army are entering two XV's in the Tournament which will make it an even more exciting event than before, and it is to be hoped that after this sporting gesture they again will be among the leading XV's.

The "Friendlies"

The "friendlies" will take place before and after the tournament, and this season at the request of the Army more unit sides will be included in the "friendlies."

More use will also be made of the grounds at Set Keng and Stanley. From a spectator's point of view this will not be too inconvenient, as it has been arranged that all games will

either take place on the island or the mainland, but there will be no intermingling. In other words, if there is a game at Stanley all the games will be on the island and vice versa.

The Rugby Union is also hoping to re-introduce, this time as a local international which provides such wonderful crowd-drawers some seasons back.

At present the HKRU has no definite news of any tours to or from Hongkong, but they are in contact with various other Rugby Unions, and there is a possibility that there will be at least one Tourist XV coming later on in the season. Details of the fixture list will be printed in this column in the near future.

Fed Up With Badminton Says Ferry Sonnevile

Singapore, Aug. 31. Indonesian badminton star Ferry Sonnevile arrived in Singapore today on his way to Rotterdam, where he is a University student.

Asked about badminton by reporters, Sonnevile said "at the moment, I am a bit fed up with it."

He said he felt he was lucky to be alive after Djakarta-Bandung road incident. The bus in which he was travelling swerved off the road, three people were killed. — Reuters.

Week-End Lawn Bowls

HELEN KWONG AND SELINA SILVA ENTER THIRD FINAL IN LADIES' OPEN C'SHIPS

By ROBERT TAY

Craigongower's Miss Helen Kwong and Mrs Selina Silva, already co-winners of the Ladies' Open Triple event, achieved a rare feat yesterday when they defeated their club-mates Miss Perin Dhabhor and Mrs Elvie Tsok by 17-15 in the Pairs semi-final to enter their third final in the Colony Ladies' Open lawn bowls championships.

For Helen Kwong yesterday's win was a hat-trick in spectacular achievements. In the Triples final recently she and her team-mates fought back from a 4-18 deficit to win the match, and in her singles semi-final last week she again had to come from behind at 8-14 to beat Mrs M. Hetherington in a thrilling finish.

Brink Of Defeat

Yesterday, she was within the brink of defeat only to be saved on the 20th head by a tactical error by their opponents and a brilliantly executed last wood shot by herself.

At the 20th head, she and her partner were trailing behind by 10-15. Selina Silva drew in four shots from the firehand towards the narrow side, but Perin Dhabhor instead of trying to mix the woods, tried to draw in from the backhand and either went through or landed on the narrow side. Although Mrs E. Tsok managed to draw in the first and fourth shots later, Helen Kwong with her last wood managed to wick both shots off to register a count of five.

In the final head, Selina Silva laid a perfect touch and Helen Kwong added a second shot to win the match by 17-15.

Most Outstanding

Losers Miss Dhabhor and Mrs Tsok were definitely unlucky not to have won the game, for on the whole they played a more brilliant brand of bowls than their opponents.

Mrs Elvie Tsok was easily the most outstanding among the four bowlers on view. On nearly every head, her woods did the damage. On the 15th

head with the score at 11-9 in her favour, opponents were lying six shots when she came in with a heavy draw around a partial blocker to register the first shot. Even on the crucial 20th head, when her side lost a five after leading by 15-10, she drew in the first shot after her opponents had built four, only to see Helen Kwong come in with the winning shot.

In the other ladies' semi-final, Talkoo Club's Mrs M. Munn and Mrs E. McLeod were given a hard fight by Mrs C. Ma and Mrs D. Baker of KCC before winning by 27-20.

The Men's Pairs quarter-finals saw the holders E. G. Barros and F. Lee gain a comfortable 28-13 win over their Craigongower club-mates C. K. Sung and W. C. Young.

Best Win

Best win among the four games was that of the two young brothers L. A. Marques and A. B. Marques of Recreio, who eliminated the highly favoured pair of A. M. Alves and J. S. Landolt by 21-20 in a close finish.

The League matches on Saturday saw the conclusion of the first division league. Match of the afternoon was that between Craigongower and Indian Recreation Club. By virtue of their 4-1 win Craigongower ended their season as runners-up in this division.

Of interest in this match was also the race for the position of champion skip this season. George Hong Choy's four skip managed to pip out Jackie

Noronha's and A. K. Mira's four by half a point to earn that title for this year.

The second division matches produced no changes in the race for the division's honours, both Filipino Club "B" and Indian Recreation Club winning their respective games by 4-1. The final between these two teams has been scheduled to take place at the Filipino Club this Sunday. Yesterday's results were:—

LADIES' OPEN PAIRS

(Semi-Finals)
Miss Helen Kwong and Mrs Selina Silva (CCC) beat Miss Perin Dhabhor and Mrs Elvie Tsok (CCC) 17-15.
Mrs M. Munn and Mrs E. McLeod (TC) beat Mrs C. C. Ma and Mrs D. Baker (KCC) 27-20.

MEN'S OPEN PAIRS

(Quarter-Finals)
E. G. Barros and F. Lee (CCC) beat C. K. Sung and W. C. Young (CCC) 28-13.
J. Chubb and T. E. Baker (KCC) beat J. Hoosen and S. Bucks (IRC) 21-18.
L. A. Marques and A. B. Marques (Recreio) beat A. M. Alves and J. S. Landolt (KCC) 21-20.
P. H. Shaw and F. O. Madar (CCC) beat L. M. Neves and R. M. V. Ribeiro (FC) 21-19.

FINAL SKIPS' AND LEAGUE TABLES FOR 1ST DIVISION LAWN BOWLS LEAGUE

The following is the final skips' table for all skips who have played five matches or more in this season's first division league:—

SKIPS' TABLE

	P	W	L	T	SP	SA	BU	BD	Fta
G. Hong Choy (CCC "A")	10	12	4	1	552	270	59	—	12
J. E. Noronha (Rec "A")	10	11	4	1	344	270	74	—	11½
A. K. Mira (IRC)	10	11	3	1	301	252	58	—	11½
C. Rosa-Pereira (Rec "A")	14	11	3	1	312	254	58	—	11
J. S. Landolt (KCC)	10	10	8	3	314	300	14	—	10½
E. L. Leonard (CCC "A")	10	8	8	3	281	256	10	—	9
W. Hong Sing (KCC)	10	9	7	1	324	310	14	—	9
M. E. Parvaz (KCC)	15	9	7	1	254	254	10	—	9
W. Davidson (KCC)	10	8	8	2	234	232	31	—	8½
T. E. Baker (KCC)	10	8	7	1	225	224	11	—	8
A. Skotch (KCC)	10	8	7	1	273	230	10	—	8
U. A. Ramiah (IRC)	10	8	8	2	104	171	—	—	17
C. McLennan (TC)	10	8	8	2	279	226	10	—	8
B. Marshall (TC)	10	8	8	2	273	226	10	—	8
G. Coles (KCC)	10	8	8	2	276	230	—	—	24
C. E. Passos (Rec "B")	10	8	8	2	221	222	—	—	31
B. Marshall (TC)	10	8	8	2	273	226	10	—	8
G. A. Souza (CCC "A")	10	8	8	2	171	139	32	—	5½
C. P. Beards (Rec "B")	10	8	8	2	185	154	31	—	5½
A. B. Ribeiro (IRC)	10	8	8	2	148	124	24	—	5
T. Kavanagh (KCC)	10	8	8	2	174	175	—	—	5
F. V. Ribeiro (Rec "B")	10	8	8	2	225	227	—	—	12
M. G. Wong (CCC "B")	10	8	8	2	230	227	47	—	5½
R. F. Luz (Rec "A")	10	8	8	2	150	121	29	—	4½
F. O. Madar (CCC "B")	10	8	8	2	175	175	—	—	4½
W. Neutze (TC)	10	8	8	2	137	147	—	—	6
L. F. Xavier (Rec "A")	10	8	8	2	134	137	—	—	3
J. Tindall (KCC)	10	8	8	2	137	147	—	—	11
C. C. Pereira (Rec "B")	10	8	8	2	118	87	31	—	3
W. Williamson (KCC)	10	8	8	2	114	143	—	—	25
J. D. Baxter (KCC)	10	8	8	2	100	100	—	—	4
T. A. Leonard (CCC "B")	10	8	8	2	209	212	—	—	2
G. Clayton (TC)	10	8	8	2	123	104	—	—	29
J. H. Baxter (KCC)	10	8	8	2	110	110	42	—	1
J. Paul (CCC "B")	10	8	8	2	65	103	—	—	68

LEAGUE TABLE

	P	W	L	T	SP	SA	BU	BD	Fta
Recr "A"	10	3	—	—	1003	949	157	—	50
CCC "A"	10	11	5	—	1030	884	140	—	52½
IRC	10	10	6	1	890	802	88	—	41½
KCC	10	10	6	1	890	802	88	—	41½
CCC "B"	10	7	9	—	855	919	37	—	41½
Recreio	10	6	9	1	856	862	—	—	6
KCC	10	6	9	1	856	862	—	—	6
TC	10	6	11	0	825	903	—	—	61
CCC "B"	10	2	14	—	745	1013	—	—	268

One walkover was awarded to KCC by CCC "B". Five points have been added to CCC "B" total, but no shots for have been given them in this column. Their regular skips have each been credited with one point.

Five Records Set In Final Day Of International Military Athletic Meet

Brussels, Aug. 31.

Five games records were set in the final ten events of the International military track and field championship meet today.

Two of the records were set by Americans, with Ken Bantum putting the shot 16.04 metres (54 feet, 7½ inches) and Ernie Shelton high jumping two metres (6 feet, 6¾ inches). The other record breakers were Cavalli of Italy in the 400 metres hurdle race, L. A. Marques and A. B. Marques of Recreio, who won the 5,000-metre run, a daylong fog hung over the stadium where some 3,000 spectators watched the games. Results were as follows:—

100 METRES FINAL
1. Nielsen (Norway) 10.6 secs.
2. Vercautysse (Belgium) 10.8 secs.
3. Mac Grumby (US) 10.8 secs.

400 METRES HURDLES FINAL
1. Silvenoinen (Finland) 53.8 secs.
2. Danelutti (Italy) 54.3 secs.
3. Thomas (France) 55.2 secs.

800 METRES FINAL
1. Sowell (US) 1 min 50.8 secs.
2. Baraldi (Italy) 1 min 50.8 secs.
3. Curatlis (US) 1 min 50.8 secs.

5,000 METRES FINAL
1. Hladis (Greece) 14 mins 30.8 secs. (A new championship record).
2. Tor Torgensen (Norway) 14 mins 31.8 secs.
3. Begay (France) 14 mins 33.4 secs.

SHOT-PUT
1. Bantum (US) 16.04 metres. (A new Championships record).
2. Tsakanikas (Greece) 16.47.
3. Thomas (France) 16.31.

HOP, STEP AND JUMP
1. Cavalli (Italy) 16.30 metres. (A new Championships record).
2. Davis (US) 14.70.
3. Anderson (US) 14.29.

JAVELIN THROW
1. G. Lлевора (Italy) 74.62 metres. (A new Championships record).
2. C. Lлевора (Italy) 74.40.
3. Cantello (US) 72.85.

4 x 100 METRES RELAY
1. Italy (Doccardo, Damach, Ghisetti and Dravi), 41.3 secs.
2. United States (Goody, McGrumby, Riddick and Vaughan), also 41.3 secs.

3. France (Sixlet, Meunier, Dufrenoy and Balague) 42.9 secs.
4 x 400 METRES RELAY
1. United States (Perry, Caratlis, Schermeshorn and Sowell) 3 mins 13.1 secs.
2. France (Degats, Vervoot, Jazy and Diboinda) 3 mins 15 secs.
3. Italy (Mastroleni, Loddo, Orlando and Pancera) 3 mins 15.8 secs.—U.P.I. and France-Press.

Vancouver Centennial Golf Tournament

Vancouver, Aug. 31. The Vancouver Centennial golf tournament took a one-day recess today and Jim Fetter, the newest sensation in golf, will take a four-stroke lead into the final round tomorrow.

There was no competition today because of the Sunday holiday.

Fetter, with rounds of 69, 61 and 69, had a heavy favourite to take the top prize of \$3,400. He was 17 strokes under par for the first 54 holes. His closest threat is 34-year-old Fred Hawkins of El Paso, Texas, who had a third round 64 for a 203 total.—U.P.I.

HONGKONG BEAT VIETNAM IN ROUGH GAME

Kuala Lumpur, Aug. 31.

Hongkong beat Vietnam 5-3 in the Merdeka soccer tournament tonight in a game marked by constant rough play. Hongkong led 3-0 at half time. Vietnam scored its first goal ten minutes after half time and added two more in the next fifteen minutes.—U.P.I.

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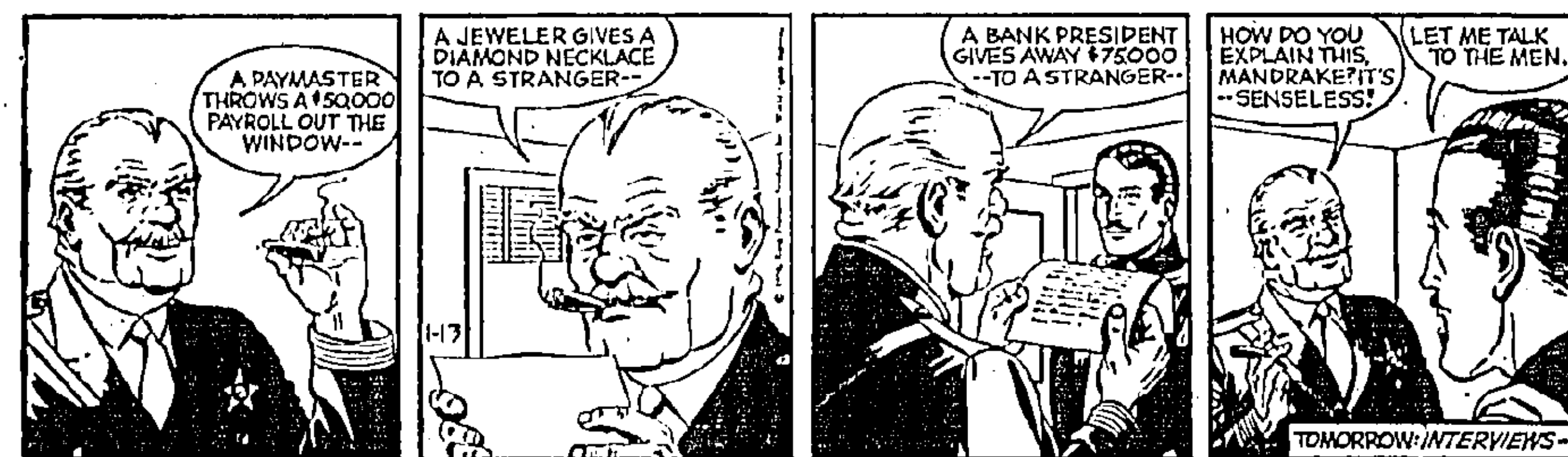
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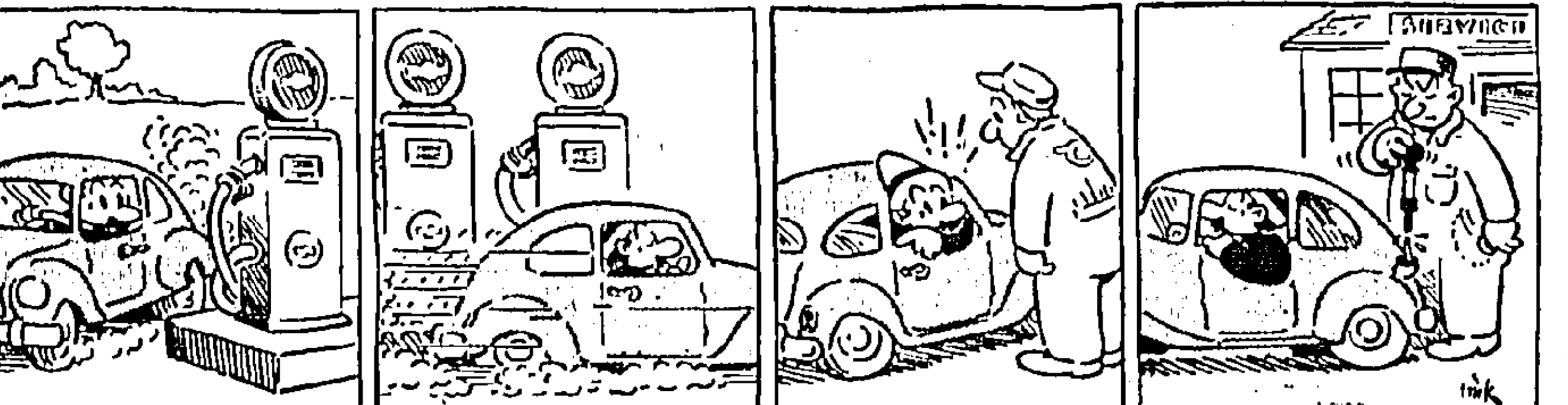
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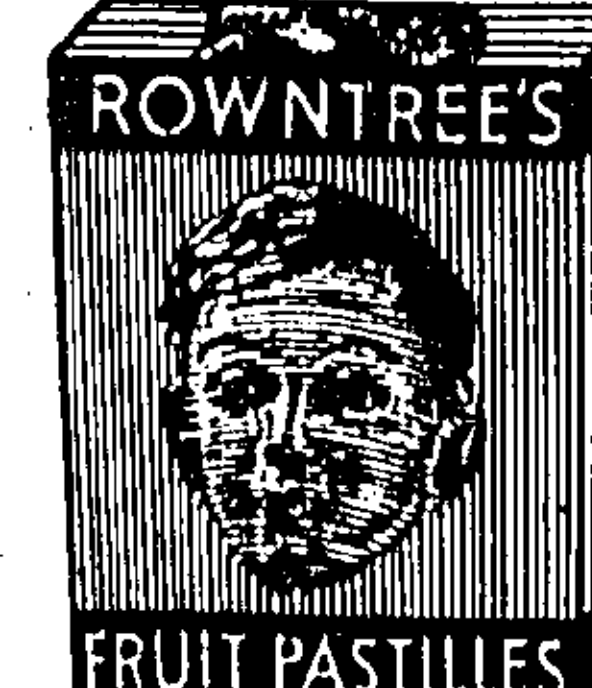
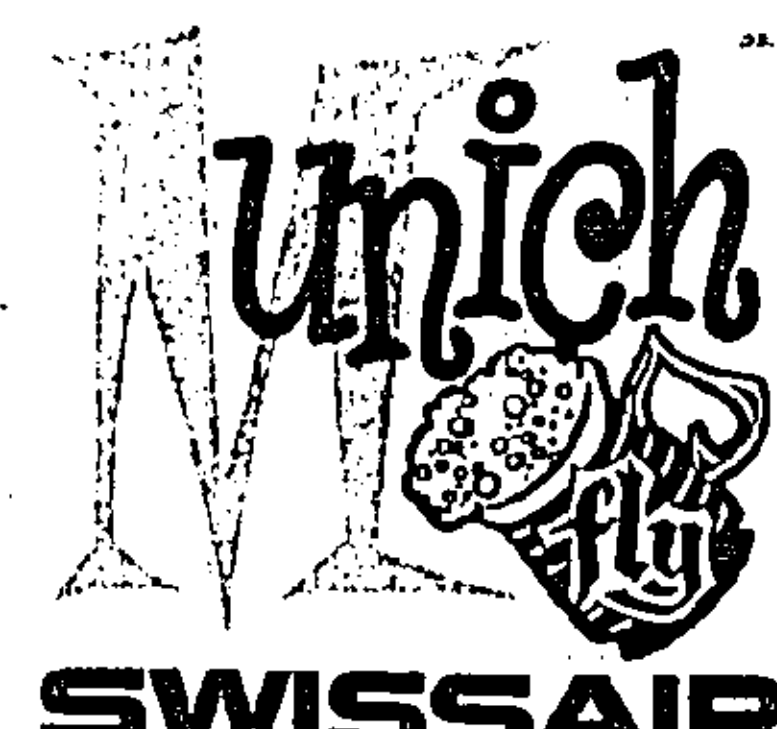
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SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

THE BEGINNING OF THE REVOLUTION IN SOUND—IT'S 3D

By JAMES THOMAS

THE word is STEREO—sound in 3D. Last week this word was launched in a big way at the Radio Show at Earls Court in London. Thirty manufacturers had the new 3D players on view just as the first 100 3D discs came into the shops.

A revolution in sound. With discs which supply from ordinary-looking groove two separate channels of sound through a pair of speakers angled to give the human ears the impression of depth and scope they get in a live performance.

It is only the beginning of the revolution. After 3D discs will come 3D radio—programmes fed over two wave-lengths into a single radio, then split back through two separate speakers to give the same stereophonic effect as the new discs.

SOLID SOUND
Solid sound—so that when a singer walks across an opera stage he will appear to walk across your sitting-room.

This new radio is not so far away. If the public buys enough of the new 3D radios, the B.B.C. will, within a year, make Britain the first country to get a stereophonic broadcasting service.

So in 16 Silver Jubilee year the Radio Show at Earls Court, shop window which has been dominated by TV for 10 years, moves back to put the emphasis on sound again instead of sight.

Moves back? Or moves on to follow the new pattern in America, where TV is in its thinnest winter, while radio reports a new boom?

AMERICAN TRENDS
American trends in home entertainment usually flow across the Atlantic. This is one reason why the Radio Show's traditional bank of flickering screens called Television Avenue this year into an Audio Hall built round the new, magic word STEREO.

Mr. Freddie Perks, sales director of the British Radio Corporation, said: "The radio market is becoming saturated. The novelty is wearing off, and the boom in ordinary discs is dying. For a year the back-room boys of the industry have been working all-out to produce a new kind of sound. It has been a sick and colossal job."

The B.B.C. has followed the industry trend. It has decided to save the £20,000 it usually spends on producing TV shows from the special Earls Court studio.

Now its engineers will check carefully on the sales of the new 3D radiograms which, for £15, can be adapted to take stereo broadcasting as well as stereo discs.

This autumn they will begin to experiment seriously with 3D transmission. It could be that next year's Proms will be broadcast over special aerials, beaming sound from right and left of the orchestra, so that the new receivers can pour the music into the parlour with the same balance and fidelity there is in the concert hall.

SO CHEAP

Already the scientists are saying that they can turn out a radio to take stereo sound for a pound or two more than normal prices.

The million-pound industry gamble on the new sound will begin when the covers come off the new models on a preview day. They will reveal stereo record players as cheap as 20 guineas, sets convertible to 3D radio for less than £60.

The TV men may have bigger reasons, fuller, siller or gold. But the catch-word this year will not quite get Moura Lyman in your lap. But at least it will seem as if she is playing Chopin on the piano you have in the parlour corner.

PLASTIC SCOURER

A POT scourer of a plastic called Carlonia claimed to be better than nylon and so light it floats on the washing water is being put on the export market by a British firm. Unlike many plastic devices which can be destroyed by heat, this scourer, which is in red, yellow, blue or green, can be sterilized by boiling for two minutes. The ends are sealed by a weld so that it will not unravel in use. A large initial consignment has been sent to Canada and another to Scandinavia.

HEATING ROOMS USING CARPETS

AN electrically-heated carpet underlay which becomes a cheap method of heating a room has been produced in Britain. The underlay has been approved in New Zealand and Australia, and prototypes are in Canada, U.S.A. and South Africa.

The heated felt underlay was developed with the help of British Electricity Board technicians. There are no installation costs, and the underlay can be put underneath a carpet in a room and plugged into a socket outlet. "Provided it is used intelligently—switched on ten minutes before the room is required and off when going to bed, or when the room is to be unoccupied for any length of time—the cost of heating a room will be less than that of an average coal fire, and there will be uniform heat all over the floor," the firm claims.

FULLY INSULATED
A 2½ yds. x 3 yds. underlay, absorbing 700 watts, costs about 3½d. an hour to run in Britain and the largest size, 4 yds. x 3 yds., about 1½d. the manufacturers state. The units, fully-insulated and not affected by damp or liquids, are designed to maintain a floor temperature of 72 to 75 degrees F., giving an air temperature of 57 to 63 degrees F. in a normal room with draughts.

Special units have been designed for the American market because of the differences in standard voltage. (Thermalite Ltd., Shelf Mills, Shelf, Nr. Halifax, Yorkshire.)

BRIGHT COLOURED LIFEBOATS URGED

LIFEBOATS should be painted in bright colours to make them easy to see, the Maritime Board at Lubeck suggested.

According to the Board, the one of the German four must be painted in bright colours to make them easy to see. The Atlantic last summer with the loss of 80 lives, would have had a better chance of survival, had the Pampir's lifeboats been bright instead of the dull colour of natural wood.

PASSED CLOSE
One of the Pampir's survivors, Guenter Hasselbach, said after he was saved, that ships had passed close to his lifeboat without noticing it.

Meanwhile the crew of a German freighter, Muenster, followed the Maritime Board's suggestion and painted its lifeboats a bright orange. They said the plot to sink the South African port of Durban had seen the Muenster's boats in the fog before he could make out the ship's superstructure.

Tests with differently coloured canisters drifting on the sea have shown that a bright orange canister could be seen twice as far as mother of a dull colour. China Mail Special.

FLAMEPROOFING PLASTIC NOW

MANY different processes exist for flameproofing plastics, most of which meet a series of special requirements. One such process is said to be especially effective where household plastic fittings are concerned.

This is because, according to the scientists responsible for developing it, it does not affect the colour, transparency, or translucency of the plastic treated. The operation of the process depends on the use of a chlorine and phosphate compound—in which an aryl substituted phosphate is used. It can be effectively used, it is claimed, without affecting operational performance, for the flameproofing of both electrical appliances, kitchen equipment and bathroom equipment.

Special News Developments Spur Issues

By ELMER WALZER

New York, Aug. 31.

The stock market rose two cents a share during the past week which means it stood still in price change. It picked up a bit in volume because activity in a handful of issues was spurred by special news developments.

For the list as a whole the equilibrium reflected the approach of the Labour Day holiday and uncertainties in the Far East balanced off by rising business statistics, featured by a sharp rise in building, the eighth weekly gain in a row for steel, and prospect of a spurt in automobile production.

Sales in August totalled 62,379,050 shares, a decline from July but the best August since 1952. So far this year sales have reached 429,715,790 shares against 354,007,049 shares at this time a year ago. The total is only a short distance from the 1955 total when the full year set a new high since 1933.

Reflected
The Dow-Jones averages reflect the week's change in price: Industrial 508.63; rail 132.52; off 0.44; utility 77.97; off 0.06; and 65 stocks of the three averages, 174.52; off 0.03.

Comparing the close of 1957 with a year ago, there are gains over all. Industrials are up 24.23 points; utilities, up 10.13 points; and 65 stocks up 7.94 points. But rails are down 4.97 points. Comparing the close of 1957 with the close of 1956, there are gains over all. Industrials are up 72.94 points; rails, up 35.50 points; utilities, up 8.30 points; and 65 stocks, up 28.81 points.

HOLLAND CUTS TIN IMPORT

The Hague, Aug. 31. The Dutch Government announced today it has imposed restrictions on Soviet tin.

A Foreign Ministry communiqué said the Government has been "forced" to take the step by Russia's refusal to become a signatory to the international agreement.

COMPLIANCE
The decision of the Dutch Government, made in compliance with a request by the producer-members of the Tin Council, is based on the Dutch Government's fixed policy of supporting as much as possible any international agreement concerning natural resources, the Ministry said. Britain made a similar move yesterday.

An Economic Affairs Ministry spokesman stated that the Dutch restrictions work out at a 40 per cent cut in tin imports from the Soviet Union.

Holland imported 7,500 tons of Russian tin over the past 12 months.—U.P.I.

Consumption Of New U.S. Rubber

Washington, Aug. 31. U.S. consumption of new rubber dropped about 10 per cent last month, the U.S. Government reported today. All types of natural and synthetic rubber shared about equally in the decline.

The report said July consumption was 99,100 long tons compared with 107,413 long tons in June and 106,493 in July 1957. The slump in U.S. automobile and tire production was the chief factor in the decline. U.S. stocks of new rubber at the end of July totalled 297,101 long tons of which 89,577 tons were natural types. July consumption of natural rubber was down to 20,709 tons, from 22,500 tons in June. Latex dropped from 8,894 tons in June to 4,601 in July.—U.P.I.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Our Own Correspondent

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to approximately \$347,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions were:

Shares	Buyers	Sellers	Sales
BANKS			
HSBC	700	705	50 @ 702½
COMMERCIAL			
Union			71½
SHIPPING			
Wharfedale	575	580	
DOCKERS, ETC.			
Wharfedale			11½
LAND, ETC.			
HSBC	317½	320	300 @ 32
Realty			13½
Utilities			
Electric	1,225	1,235	
A. T. & W.			1.90
Utilities			1.90
Tram	25.30	25.40	300 @ 25.40

Yarnall ... 65½ @ 100
C. Light ... 17.10 @ 300
Electric ... 17.10 @ 300
Dairy ... 17.10 @ 300
W. ... 17.10 @ 300
L. ... 17.10 @ 300

INDUSTRIALS
Cement ... 22.10
Stores, etc. ... 17.10
W. ... 17.10
L. ... 17.10

COTTONS
Miscellaneous ... 18
Entire ... 18
Investments ... 18

Gold Market
Paris, Aug. 30. Business in the gold market was at its lowest ebb during the week ended August 29.

The holiday period and light liquid assets reduced dealings, but prices again resumed an upward movement.—China Mail Special.

Exchange Rates
Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:

U.S. dollar (per \$1)	6.80
Sterling notes (per £1)	15.00
Australian notes (per £1)	2.25
Indonesian notes (per 100)	0.40
Singapore (per 100)	20.00
Sierra Leone (per 100)	1.00

Agreed Merchant Rates
West German Deutschemark Maximum Selling, 71 15/16.

COTTON FUTURES ON THE DEFENSIVE

New York, Aug. 31.

Cotton futures remained on the defensive this past week, finishing on lower ground for the fourth time in a row.

At Friday's close the list ruled 10 to 65 points—50 cents to \$3.25 a bale—lower than the preceding week.

A good part of the trade centered on evening-up operations before the long weekend holiday. The New York and New Orleans cotton exchanges will remain closed until Tuesday morning for observance of Labour Day holiday.

Continuing weakness in the end of the 1957-58 crop season, would become a dumping ground for unsold cotton at the season's end due to the prospect for lower support for 1959 under the new farm law.

The July premium over October at the weekend approximated 3½ cents a pound compared with a spread of

2½ cents a pound the week previous.

A significant change in the market situation during the week was an increase in "unsold" cotton. The figure rose 20,000 bales to 119,000 bales compared with 99,000 bales last year. For some time, the call sales have been dropping, reaching a low last week. The first significant increase, however, was in the call sales that more cotton is being sold to mills on which the price has not yet been fixed.

The mid-August parity report, issued late Friday, showed a 12-point drop to 38.24 cents from 50.24 cents in July and compared with 50.03 cents a pound in mid-August last year.—U.P.I.

Pressure
July came under continuing pressure with sellers presuming that delivery, which marks the end of the 1957-58 crop season, would become a dumping ground for unsold cotton at the season's end due to the prospect for lower support for 1959 under the new farm law.

The July premium over October at the weekend approximated 3½ cents a pound compared with a spread of

SALES OF U.S. COTTON GOODS SLOW

New York, Aug. 31. SALES activity in grey and finished cotton goods held to the slow gait adopted several weeks ago—right after tension in the Middle East relaxed.

Traders became more cautious, anticipating the Labour Day observance on Monday. Others speculated, nevertheless, on the next buying movement in the cotton market.

Opinion on the cotton market was divided. Some believed that the "turn would come right after Labour Day." That reasoning was based on the belief that many annual converters needed goods and will have to cover. Other weavers remained skeptical. They thought a "checked" improvement in the movement of finished fabrics must precede any extraordinary buying in grey goods.

The sustained volume of cotton goods sales at the retail level and indications that chain stores are interested in new fabric lines, were cited as favorable factors in the market.

Department stores, which last week ran three per cent ahead of a year ago, with soft goods sales mostly responsible for the increase, which was called more than a seasonal gain.

Prices on most construction held steady as firm. Elsewhere, however, of big fluctuations, concrete and steel prices were up ½ cent a yard or more.

The picture in wide industrial orders was mixed. By Labour Day, however, the automobile industry

In cotton yarn, prices in most segments of the market were reported to be firmer, but buyers still operated cautiously, apparently willing to get a better idea of their fall business prospects before entering into important new yarn engagements.

In the woolen trade, fashion account noted limited activity in worsted yarns. Spinners were reported, shipping against old orders at a much faster rate than they are booking new orders.—U.P.I.

Strikes In The Auto Industry Would Be Far-Reaching

New York, Aug. 31.

Strikes, which have not been an important factor in the American economy for many months, moved into the picture this week as a serious threat to the slowly improving business scene.

Most of America's giant industries—auto-making, coal-mining, steel production, etc.—have been covered by long-term contracts between management and labour. These contracts call for automatic yearly pay raises, "escalator" clauses in which wages rise along with the official cost-of-living figures, but usually for slowly increasing pension benefits.

The auto union contract expired last May and the employees, members of the United Auto Workers Union, have been working without a contract since then. At the time the contract ran out, the U.S. was still deep in its recession and, union strategists felt that the companies would welcome a strike, which would reduce inventories of new cars. Instead, the union and the companies have been negotiating more or less steadily, but with no results.

Big Three
It was generally felt that if there should be a strike, it would be called against one of the big three—General Motors, Ford or Chrysler—just as production started on 1959 models, thus forcing the struck company to come to quick terms so that its competitors did not get too far ahead of it in satisfying the 1959 market demands.

With the unexpectedly strong improvement in business generally, it had been felt that a strike was less likely than ever, since the companies would be eager to get to this market, which all experts predict will be a pre-recession lull.

That optimism was shattered this week. Auto union members, who for months have been complaining about the situation, were beginning to grow irritated at company tactics in negotiations, and "wildcat" (unauthorised) strikes were mounting. Some 11,000 workers were idle today in scattered strikes.

More and more unionists were demanding a strike to show the companies they are determined to win their demands.

The companies are just as determined. Said one top GM official: "In 20 years of labour relations work, I never have seen GM as determined as it is this year."

Strong Attitude
Some observers wonder if this strong attitude means that the big three have agreed to stand together against the UAW, and that a strike against one would be followed by a shutdown in the others.

The effect on the U.S. economy of an auto strike, even against only one big company, would be far-reaching. The auto industry, directly or indirectly, accounts for one out of every six jobs in the nation. The steel, rubber and glass industries would be hit hard, and so would upholstery and of course the many retail outlets of the industry—car dealers, auto radio dealers, accessories, etc.

Steel makers count on auto manufacturers for 20 per cent of the total steel volume, and strikes would reverse their present trend to steady recovery.

In terms of actual value, almost 5 billion a week would be involved. Normally, at the start of production of new models, the automakers turn out a total of 150,000 units per week, with a value of \$7.5 billion, with another one-third to be added to translate it into ultimate retail value.

Could Block
Steel producers are as worried as the automakers. They agree that even a short strike could block the orderly recovery of the steel market, and that settlement of the strike would bring its own problems, since production orders would then flood the steel sales offices and bring about an artificial shortage.

At the moment, the steel industry is in a precarious position. It is recovering from a conservative slump, and orders for peak auto production rates have not been placed.

The steelmakers also have an interest in the auto union negotiations, for the big contract with steel labour came up for re-negotiation next year, end, like the auto industry, the steel industry plans a united front of hard opposition to demands by the steelmakers union. If the automakers capitulate to the union, the steel company position will be that much more difficult, and they argue that the inflation spiral will be that much more advanced.

At the moment, steel is ahead of expectations in its recovery. Output last week climbed to 1,000,000 tons, 12,000 tons higher than expected, and output this week is scheduled at 1,177,000 tons. The steel industry's output was at the rate of 62.6 per cent capacity, and this week's would be 63.6 per cent. Experts predict that production will be in the 70's within 40 days for this week.

Anti-Inflation
This was but one of the many signs of better business which again focused attention on the anti-inflation fight. Chief problem here is the expected \$2-billion federal deficit for the year ending next June 30. Where shall the Government get that money?

The best way would be to draw it from non-bank investors, such as insurance companies, pension funds and individuals, through sale of long-term securities. But these investors are being courted by businessmen, made optimistic by

the recovery, who want capital for expansion. To get the money from the investors, the U.S. Government would have to pay higher interest, a policy displeasing to Congress. So the money probably will be raised from banks through sale of short-term securities. And the Federal Reserve System, as it has in the past, will make money available to the banks so they can buy the Government securities, although in so doing, the Federal Reserve will be defeating its own anti-inflation measures.

Requirements
The Federal Reserve can do this by reducing reserve requirements, thus freeing bank funds, or by buying up some older Treasury securities held by the banks. Presumably the banks would spend all the additional funds for the new Treasury issues, but then the banks could borrow from the Federal Reserve, using the securities as collateral, and make available funds for possible inflationary credit expansion.

That there will be expansion of capital investment seems sure now. The International Statistical Bureau reports that U.S. total production may reach 138 to 140 per cent of the 1947-49 average by the year's end. It was 128 in April, its lowest point, 133 in July and 145 a year ago. Overall, production has recovered one-third of its 1957-58 loss and, look ahead to a 55-cent recovery in gross national product may be complete by December.—U.P.I.

SINGAPORE RUBBER MARKET
Singapore, Aug. 31. The Quenoy invasion crisis strengthened the Singapore rubber market considerably but New York's failure to react soon impaired the gain and by the end of the week, prices were back around last week's levels.

The Holiday Cutler Bath, rubber brokers, reported in its weekly survey, said that the upswing in the week has been extremely quiet with the bulk of business in No. 1 sheets confined to switching out of September into October. But the Quenoy invasion scare, however, look ahead to a 55-cent recovery in gross national product may be complete by December.—U.P.I.

Bank Of England Statement
London, Aug. 31. The Bank of England statement for the week ended Aug. 27, reads as follows:

Notes in circulation ... £2,000,000,000
Public deposits ... £1,000,000,000
Private deposits ... £1,000,000,000
Government securities ... £1,000,000,000
Other securities ... £1,000,000,000
Total ... £6,000,000,000

Bank Of France Statement
Paris, Aug. 31. The Bank of France statement for the week ended Aug. 27, reads as follows:

Total gold holdings ... 2,000,000,000
Total other currency ... 1,000,000,000
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STERLING SILVER TIP

MAN CHARGED WITH AXE MURDER

Insanity Plea By Defence NO MOTIVE

An alleged axe attack on a fellow worker without any previous argument or struggle was described by Mr Desmond Mayne, Crown Counsel, at the trial of a 30-year-old carpenter, Lam Shiu-leung, charged with murder before Mr Justice J. R. Gregg at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

Lam was alleged to have murdered his colleague, Leung Wai-piu, on May 23.

Pleading not guilty, he was represented by Mr Oswald Cheung.

Mr Mayne told an all-male jury that the accused and the deceased both worked in a carpenter shop in 82 Catechick Street. At about 8 p.m. on May 23, while the deceased was working in the shop painting Chinese characters on wooden barrels, the accused came along and inflicted a number of wounds on him with an axe.

Prior to doing this, Mr Mayne continued, there was no argument, dispute, nor struggle, and the offence appeared, to be one done on the spur of the moment. Neither was there any motive or premeditation, he added.

Eight Wounds

There was a total of eight wounds on the deceased's head and body. While other people went to the wounded man's assistance, the accused went off and dialled "999". When he returned, he poured some tea on Leung's head.

The injured man was subsequently taken to the hospital but died from the injuries he had received.

Murder, Crown Counsel continued, was the unlawful killing of a person and at the time of the killing there was the intention either to kill the person or do him grievous bodily harm.

Mr Mayne said the Defence had raised the question of insanity and maintained that that was the state of mind of the accused at the time of the incident.

Counsel added that there were the medical reports by Dr P. M. Yapp and Dr R. D. Scriven, and Mr Mayne said he could tell the jury that in the view of the Crown, a verdict of "guilty but insane" would be a proper verdict to return.

Hearing is continuing.

Chinese TV

Paris, Aug. 31. China's first television station in Peking will start transmissions on September 2, Radio Peking announced today. — France-Press.

PAKISTANI DOCTOR IN COURT

September 24 and 25 were the days set by Mr A. L. Leathlean, at Central Magistracy this morning, for hearing of the case against a 50-year-old Pakistani doctor of homoeopathy, Mohammed Ismail Khan, of Room 314 Sun Kwong Hotel, Connaught Road West.

The defendant, charged with indecently assaulting a European woman, had two additional charges — indecently assaulting a Chinese woman, and possession of penicillin without a licence — preferred against him by Chief Detective Inspector J. Holden, prosecuting.

ASSAULT

The defendant is alleged to have assaulted the European woman at his address on August 10 and the Chinese woman on August 21, when he also had in his possession one tube of crystalline penicillin for which he had no licence.

Naro is represented by Mr V. L. J. Dalton.

Motor Scooter Collides With Car

Mr Koo Chai-bun, aged 51 years, of No. 6 Fenwick Road, second floor, was injured on Saturday when the motor scooter he was riding collided with a private car in Nathan Road near the junction of Dundas Street. He was detained in Kowloon Hospital for treatment.

Jewellery Theft

Gold jewellery and cash to the value of \$4,224 were stolen from No. 131 Wanchai Road, first floor, between 12 noon and 2 p.m. yesterday.

Deaf Children See Over British Ship



A group of happy smiling faces have fun with the mirror on the compass—a photograph taken by a China Mail cameraman during today's visit by 40 deaf children to the BSN company ship, Santhia.

POLICEMAN FIRES ON FLEEING BEGGAR AFTER NATHAN RD STRUGGLE

A young beggar who struggled with a Police Constable in Nathan Road yesterday morning, and who was struck by a bullet when the PC opened fire with his revolver as he ran away, appeared in Kowloon Court this morning before Mr T. L. Yang, charged with assaulting a Police Officer.

He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to five months hard labour.

The defendant, Chung Kam-chuen, 20, was sitting in Nathan Road, opposite the Shamrock Hotel, when PC 3254, Luk Kai-hung, came along, chasing hawkers and beggars away. He asked the defendant to leave, but Chung refused and jumped up and struck the PC with a four-foot piece of bamboo.

DENTED HIS CAP

The bamboo hit the peak of the PC's cap, denting it. The defendant then ran across the road, but was caught there again by the PC.

In the struggle that followed, the beggar hit the PC again with the bamboo, and when the PC fell to the ground he hit him once more.

The Constable then got to his feet and drew his truncheon to apprehend the defendant. As he did so, defendant struck his arm with the bamboo and continued to struggle.

Finally, the PC drew his revolver. Defendant started to run away, so the Constable opened fire. Of his four shots, one struck the defendant on the head.

In Court this morning it was found the PC suffered a torn shirt, a black eye and a large lump on his forehead. The prosecuting officer, Det. Sub-Inspr. Chan Chuck-kay, remarked "It was lucky the Constable was wearing his hat, he might have been killed."

Further Remand For Six On Forged Banknotes Charge

Four men and two women, who appeared before Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central Magistracy this morning, charged with possession of 177 forged US\$20 banknotes, were remanded seven days for further inquiries.

Defendants are Cheung Yam-chi, 30, housewife, of Room 201 Luna Apartments, Leighton Road; Chiu Mai, 60, unemployed, of 230 Gloucester Road, second floor; Chu Hing-tsang, 51, manager, of 702 Lum Apartments, Leighton Road; Kwok Lai-yung, 20, of 5 San Wai Street, ground floor; Wong Tak-sang, 57, unemployed, of 19 Tai Tak Street, North Point, first floor; and Chan Sau-heing, 45, manager, of Foremen Associates, Ltd., of 407 King's Road, second floor.

They are alleged to have had in their possession, without lawful authority or excuse, 177 forged US\$20 banknotes, of 56A-50A Leighton Road and 407 King's Road, second floor last Friday.

First, second and fourth defendants were allowed bail of \$20,000. Third and sixth defendants were also allowed bail of \$20,000, or half cash and half surety. The third and sixth de-

fendants were represented by Mr Carlos Remedios of Phillip Remedios Company, and Mr H. L. Hu, instructed by Mr P. L. Lam of Messrs P. L. Lam Company respectively.

Det. Sub-Inspector H. N. Whiteley, of the Commercial Crime Office, who is in charge of the case, opposed bail for the fifth defendant. D.S.I. Whiteley said that further charges might be preferred against him.

Political Clash

Dakar, Aug. 31. Two Senegalese were killed and 17 wounded in clashes between supporters of two opposing political parties on the eve of local elections held today at Louga, north of Dakar, police reported. — Reuters.

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Kowloon Church Silver Jubilee

By A CHINA MAIL REPORTER

This year is the Silver Jubilee of Christ Church, Kowloon Tong, which members of the Church will be celebrating tomorrow.

H.E. the Governor, Sir Robert Black, will attend the celebrations, and the Dean, the Very Rev. F. S. Temple, representing the Bishop, will preach the sermon.

Lady Black, and her two daughters, Barbara and Kathryn Black, will also attend the service at 6.30 p.m. in the evening.

At 8 p.m. there will be a dinner in the Parish Hall which some 180 members of the congregation will attend.

In 1833, the Rt. Rev. P. Hall, dedicated a small church house in Duke Street, which was the beginning of Christ Church. Soon the congregation grew and the church house became too small to hold everyone.

Three years later a site was decided upon in Waterloo Road, and the opening service of the new Church, Christ Church, took place on July 27, 1837. Christ Church was consecrated a year later and the service was attended by the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote and Lady Northcote.

Man Charged With Possession Of Arms

Chan Wo, 37, an unemployed man, appeared before Mr T. L. Yang at Kowloon Court this morning charged with possession of arms and ammunition without a licence, and two further charges of robbery with aggravation.

The defendant was remanded for three days in Police custody. It is alleged that on August 30, at Cheung Chau, the defendant had in his possession two revolvers and 30 rounds of ammunition without a licence.

It is also alleged that the defendant, on March 24 and July 8, at the Tai Ming Goldsmiths Shop, robbed Law Ho, of 80 gold necklaces, nine gold bracelets and 11 gold finger rings, to a total value of \$14,289.

Typhoon 'Grace'

At 9 a.m. this morning, the Royal Observatory reported that Typhoon Grace was centred within 540 miles ESE of the North Eastern tip of Luzon, moving WNW at about 30 knots.

A 38-year-old police constable, Nor Mohammed alias Ma Chung-look, and a 25-year-old clerk of the Hongkong Traffic Department, Wong Ping-kuen of 661 Canton Road, second floor, were both found not guilty, by Mr E. Corbally at Central Magistracy this morning, on a charge of conspiracy.

The two men were alleged to have conspired together with other men, on July 12 last year, to offer a driving licence so that another person could use it.

Mohammed was detained by Mr G. Hampton of Messrs Hastings and Company while Wong was defended by Mr G. A. de Basio instructed by Mr G. S. Ford of Ford, Kwun and Company.

Collision

Cairo, Aug. 31. A number of seamen were slightly injured when a British freighter and a Spanish tanker were in collision five miles south of Suez today.

Both the freighters — the 6,042-ton Langleyclayde — and the tanker — the 13,058-ton Albuera — were slightly damaged above the waterline. — Reuters.

Young Boy Hurt

An 11-year-old Chinese boy was knocked down and injured by a bus at the junction of Nathan Road and Nanking Street yesterday afternoon.

The boy, Lo Kit-chee of No. 63 Woosung Street, third floor, was sent to Kowloon Hospital, where he was detained for treatment.

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HONGKONG is to have a Navy Day on Trafalgar Day, October 21. The programme will follow the lines of the British Navy Week, thus giving local residents an opportunity to look over the various classes of ships stationed here.

The Commodore, Capt. Frank Elliot, O.B.E., R.N., today informed the China Mail that the object of the celebration was the fostering of better relations between the residents of Hongkong and the Royal Navy.

There will be two cruisers from the 5th Cruiser Squadron, destroyers from the 8th Destroyer or Flotilla and several submarines in port and we intend to show the Hongkong public some of the workings of submarines and destroyers in the Naval Basin, the Commodore said.

The Commodore stressed the possibility of the formation of a Hongkong Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve, which though turned down in 1922, when the Labour Government was in power, would now probably meet with success.

Capt. D. Euan Wallace, Civil Lord of the Admiralty will be arriving in the Colony on October 10.

The condition of the reservoir, coupled with the continued drought, is causing considerable anxiety to the authorities, and it has become necessary to restrict further the present hours of supply to all parts of the Island. However, the present supply of 10 hours daily on the mainland will be maintained.

The Water Authority notifies the public that as from Saturday, September 6, a six-hour supply will be introduced, and that in all districts, except the Peak, the hours of supply will be from 6-9 a.m., and from 4.30-7.30 p.m.

Bird's Eye: "Grrrrrr," growled the songwriter, as he slung his wife through the French window and returned once again to settle down and write a line to rhyme with "Love is the one flower that never fades."

THERE is every possibility that the Combined Australian Universities Rugby Union team will play against the Hongkong Rugby Club at the Valley, when they pass through here on their way to Japan. Should this match not materialise, the Australian team will play on Saturday, February 24, next year, as their way home.

J. H. McElroy, the Club skipper, said yesterday he was very pessimistic regarding the game, but was awaiting a reply from the team's manager.

He recalled that the Japanese refused to allow the Canadian team which visited Japan last year to play en route. He was afraid the Japanese might force the Australians to adopt the same principles.

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